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REORGANISATION OF BRITISH AIR ARM GETS UNDER WAY: 7,000 INCREASE IN STRENGTH

Four R. A. F. Stations To Be Taken Over

LONDON, Dec. 30 (T/Ocean)—REORGANISATION OF THE AIR ARM of the British Fleet, which has been talked about for a long time, has now been begun by the Admiralty, according to a statement made by a spokesman of the Admiralty in the course of an interview with the air correspondent of the "Daily Mail" which is published in the Friday edition of that paper. The Admiralty has drawn up a four-year plan after completion of which the personnel of the Fleet Air Arm will have been brought from the present strength of 3,000 men to a strength of 10,000. Recruitment of the additional 7,000 men will be begun at once.

SPANISH WAR REPORTS

General Franco's Offensive

LONDON, Dec. 30 (Reuters)—That General Franco's offensive, in which 500,000 men are engaged, is proceeding as relentlessly as ever after seven days, is proved by the vivid descriptions of fighting from "Reuters" correspondents on both sides.

Saragossa reports state that the insurgents captured Granadella, 40 miles north-west of Saragossa. It is an important position, commanding the left bank of the Ebro.

MINELAYER SUNK
GIBRALTAR, Dec. 30 (Reuters)—The Spanish Republican destroyer, Jose Luis Diaz, which has been in Gibraltar for repair, stole from harbour last night but was forced aground near here following an engagement with Nationalist warships.

It is reported that the destroyer rammed and sank the Nationalist minelayer, Jupiter.

The Jose Luis Diaz is now land-lifted, a few wounded, but it is understood that the vessel was not hit.

The Admiralty envisages the following relation of the various Fleet branches in the future:

One-third surface craft, one-third aircraft and one-third underwater craft.

The planned reorganisation of the Fleet Air Arm, which is to be completed in the year 1942 provides for the taking over of four Royal Air Force Stations by the Fleet, namely, the stations at Ford in Sussex, Donibristle in Fifeshire, Lee-on-Solent, where a Fleet Air Arm division is to be stationed, and at Worthy Down in Hampshire.

The Fleet Air Arm is to be divided into two sections. The first is to be responsible for motors, conditioning and repairing of planes and the second for the planes proper and their equipment and armament.

In an editorial comment on the reorganisation of the Fleet Air Arm, the "Daily Mail" points out that the "Air Fleet" will thus, for the first time in its existence, get its own bases on land and reserves. The Admiralty are not to be blamed for the tardy development since the Fleet Air Arm was placed under its full control only in 1937 up to which time the Admiralty shared responsibility with the Air Ministry.

MILLION RECRUITS FOR CHINA ARMY

SHANGHAI, Dec. 30 (Trans-Ocean)—The Szechuen military authorities have been instructed to train an additional 1,000,000 troops for the Chinese army, according to a report in Chinese quarters today which also state that the first batch of recruits is now ready for active service.

The Yunnan Provincial Government has decided to organise self-defence corps in 40 districts of the province.

SITUATION IS CRITICAL

Hankow French Concession

SHANGHAI, Dec. 30 (T/Ocean)—The situation in the French Concession in Hankow is becoming more critical daily, according to reports from that town, because although the Concession is crowded with some 70,000 Chinese refugees the Japanese authorities are preventing the entry of foodstuffs and coal. Food prices in the Concession are soaring to high levels.

TIENTSIN CHINESE LEADER KILLED

TIENTSIN, Dec. 30 (Reuters)—Wang Hu-lin, chairman of the Chinese Chamber of Commerce and Salt Commissioner, was killed on Wednesday night by a gunman who fired three times at him as he emerged from a restaurant in the French Concession.

Mr. Wang, who was an octogenarian, was a noted Chinese boxing enthusiast.

PRIME MINISTER WITH FOREIGN PRESS



MR. CHAMBERLAIN photographed during his speech to the Foreign Press Association at their dinner at Grosvenor House.

AIRCRAFT FACTORIES IN AUSTRALIA

Will Serve Triple Strategic End

LONDON, Dec. 30 (Reuters)—Plans have been completed for the construction of aircraft factories in Australia, it was announced yesterday.

In an editorial the "Daily Telegraph" says that the new factories will serve a triple strategic end.

Empire bases like Singapore, Timoralee (Ceylon) and others further east will be able to draw aircraft supplies from Australia. There will be further technical advantage, namely the standardisation of types in the Empire air forces.

FRENCH AIR ESTIMATES

PARIS, Dec. 30 (T/Ocean)—Discussing the French Air Estimates in the Senate yesterday, M. Guy de la Grange wound up criticisms of the Government's air armament policy with a demand for "a real dictator to build up the air strength of France."

As a member of the Senate's Commission for Aviation, he complained of the low salaries paid to aeronautical experts, engaged by the technical department of the French Air Ministry.

Replying to M. de la Grange, the Air Minister, M. Guy Lachambre, declared that the French aviation industry had the "dictator" demanded, in the person of President Caquot.

The Air Estimates were then passed by the Senate.

THE DOLLAR

T.T. ON LONDON: Is. 27/8d.
T.T. ON NEW YORK: 28 7/8.

London Silver Market

(Our Own Correspondent).
London, Dec. 30.
London silver prices today were up 1/16 as follows:—
Dec. 29 Dec. 30
Spot.....19-15/16 20
Forward.....19-5/8 19-11/16

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THE NEW YEAR HOLIDAYS

The "Hongkong Daily Press" wishes its readers and advertisers a happy and prosperous New Year.

The offices of this paper will be closed on New Year's Day and will re-open as usual on Monday. There will be no issue of the paper on Monday, the next issue appearing on the following morning, Tuesday, as usual. Advertisers are kindly requested to send in their copy as early as possible on Monday. Contributors likewise are earnestly asked to co-operate by sending in their copy early.

CHAMBERLAIN OPTIMISTIC

Seeking To Remove Causes Of War

LONDON, Dec. 30 (Reuters)—Mr. Neville Chamberlain feels that if the past year has brought its trials, these are outweighed by the gains. He expresses this view in a New Year message to "Home and Empire," the official Conservative Party magazine.

In referring to re-armament, he says: "Our armed strength enables us to say in the councils of nations that in seeking friendship with all peoples, we shall meet in a spirit of reasonableness and fair dealing, but we will not make concessions to force."

Referring to the past year, Mr. Chamberlain says: "Rejecting the view that war is inevitable, and that our only task is to prepare for it, I have consistently sought to remove the possible causes of war, and by direct consultation and discussion, to secure a new and fuller measure of confidence and understanding between the nations."

"My hope and aim is that, by this means, the international problems our time may be settled in a spirit of conciliation and co-operation."

GOES ON HOLIDAY

LONDON, Dec. 29 (BWS)—The Prime Minister and Mrs. Chamberlain left London this afternoon for a short holiday in Yorkshire, where they will be guests of Lord and Lady Swinton. Mr. Chamberlain will return to London early in the new year prior to his departure on January 10 for Rome.

COMBINED HUNT FOR SHANGHAI BANDITS

SHANGHAI, Dec. 30 (Reuters)—A large-scale police and military drive against armed bandits was begun last night in the western fringe of the International Settlement following Wednesday's hold-up of a party of 15 Britons and Americans in this area.

As the result of a conference between the police and the British military authorities a scheme of barbed wiring was begun and detachments of police, with pistols drawn, the Russian Regiment, Volunteers and the East Surreys, patrolled and searched the area.

Body Found By European On Hillside In Kowloon

Crown Case Against Two Men On Capital Charge

Committal proceedings on a charge of the murder of Wong Po, alias Wong Pak, alias Wong Kwai-fong, on the hillside above the washing tanks at the 31 milestone, Tai Po Road, on December 1, were commenced before Mr. G. A. Macfadyen at the Kowloon Court yesterday against Chan Yung, 34, and Tse Chun, 24, former fellow-workers with deceased in a tin mine at Montok in the Dutch East Indies.

Mr. E. H. Williams, Crown Counsel, outlining the case for the prosecution, stated that the two accused and deceased were emigrants to the Dutch East Indies who had returned to the Colony on December 29 by a Dutch ship in company with some 13 others. They had taken up lodging in Yee Kok Street.

The principal witness for the Crown would be a man, named

Chan Chun, who would testify to being present at the boarding-house on November 29, about 6 p.m., when he overheard a conversation between first accused and deceased, the former asking for the return of a loan of \$10 and the latter stating that he was unable to return the money as he had gambled it away aboard ship.

On December 1, about 2 p.m., a man, named Tang Lau-mui, an acquaintance of the emigrants, called on them and offered any of them who wished a bath to follow him to the washing tanks, whither five of them did accompany him. These five were the two accused, principal witness, and another emigrant, named Tao Pei-fai.

PARTY SPLIT UP

On approaching the washing tanks, the party had split up into two sections, the two accused and deceased having taken bath and the other three men, another

LARGE STONES THROWN

Principal witness would testify to the deceased having appeared to him being forcibly led away by the other two men. He would also testify to having seen the two accused throw large stones at the deceased's head and to their having thrown rocks at him and struck at him with a stick when he had been knocked to the ground.

The deceased's body was found on December 4 by a European student, Mr. G. Goloboff, who was taking a walk in the vicinity of the 31 milestone on December 4.

The address of the boarding-house on Yee Kok Street was found on the body of deceased, this clue eventually leading to the location of the principal witness, Chan Chun, and the two accused, Tang Lau-mui and Tao Pei-fai, have not been found and are not available for evidence.

KWANGSI PLAYS HER PART IN THE WAR

Young Men Rally To The Nation's Call

KWEILIN, December 30 (Central)—Out of 12,800,000 inhabitants scattered in 219,876 square kilometres of the mountainous Kwangsi Province, 2,000,000 or nearly one-sixth of the total have been mobilised for the war.

From the industrious people of this rugged region more soldiers have already been sent to the front or are standing by than from any other province of China, as far as the population ratio goes.

As early as in the fall of 1931, shortly after Japan's invasion of Manchuria, General Pai Chung-hai, one of China's best military leaders and strategists who is now the nation's Deputy-Chief of the General Staff and Director-General of Military Training, ordered all able-bodied civilians having one or more years of residence in Kwangsi to undergo rigid military training.

Universal education was made compulsory. At least 1,200,000 men aged between 18 and 30 were trained in the six years of military service before the war while another 1,200,000 aged between 31 and 45 were drawn into the huge war machinery as emergency workers.

By December, 1938, Kwangsi had been able to dispatch not

BAPTIST MISSION BOMBED

SHANGHAI, Dec. 30 (Reuters)—According to a telegram received by the Southern Baptist Mission, Shanghai, to-day from Shichow, to the north of Canton, Japanese planes bombed the city yesterday and severely damaged two houses belonging to American missionaries.

No casualties are reported.

France Is Willing To Negotiate Directly With Italy On Basis Of 1935 Agreement

WHAT BRITISH MINISTERS WILL DISCUSS DURING ROME VISIT

PARIS, December 30 (T/Ocean)—The visit to the British Foreign Office of the French Charge d'Affaires on Thursday is featured in the French press this morning several papers utilising the occasion to inform Mussolini that he is doomed to disappointment if he expects the Prime Minister, Mr. Chamberlain, to play the role of intermediary. Paris, it is declared, does not believe there is serious cause for the dispute between France and Italy but is of the opinion that the incident has been inflated by the press and public demonstrations.

France, declares "Le Jour" is willing to negotiate directly with Italy on the basis of the Agreement of 1935.

FRENCH ATTITUDE
LONDON, Dec. 30 (T/Ocean)—A diplomatic correspondent of the "Evening News" believes that the French attitude towards the Italian claims as a result of the diplomatic conversations in Paris and London can be defined as follows:

1. Rejection of all Italian territorial claims;
2. Granting of special conditions for the use of Djibouti harbour, and
3. Possible concessions concerning the administration of the Suez Canal.

SOVIET-JAPANESE TENSION

PARIS, Dec. 30 (T/Ocean)—The growing Soviet-Japanese tension as a result of the dispute over fishing concessions has induced the Soviet Government to send 50,000 troops as reinforcements to Vladivostok, according to "Le Matin."

END OF YEAR TIME SIGNAL

The time signal given by means of lights at 9 p.m. from the Royal Observatory will be reported at midnight to-night, the termination of the programme signifying the end of the year 1938.

MALARIA AT WAICHOW

Inadequate Medical Facilities

SHUIKWAN, KWANGTUNG, Dec. 30 (Central)—After being devastated by war, Waichow, the East River town, 25 miles inland from Blas Bay, is now suffering from a malaria epidemic.

On account of inadequate medical facilities, many survivors of the war have died, and of about 5,000 refugees seeking shelter from Japanese air bombings in Wong-tung and other villages in the outskirts about 30 per cent. are suffering from the malarial.

The stock of quinine at Waichow is running extremely low, but it is learned that a fresh supply can be rushed from Hongkong in less than two days.

POLISH PROTEST

WARSAW, Dec. 30 (Reuters)—The Polish Government has protested to the Czech Government against an alleged attack by Czechs on a frontier post in Poland yesterday. The Czech Government has agreed to an investigation.

In the World of Sports

Triangular Rugby Tournament

DECIDING MATCH THIS AFTERNOON

CLUB v. NAVY

The deciding match of this year's Triangular Tournament will be played on the Club ground at Happy Valley today, when the Club will play the Navy for the second time. The match will commence at 4 p.m. and will be refereed by Lt. Pirie.

Although there is still an Army v. Navy fixture to be played off, it is unlikely that it will make any difference to the result of the tournament, as the Army have already been defeated three times. To-day's match, therefore, will decide whether the Navy retain the trophy, which they won last year or merely share it with the Club.

In the first round the Club were beaten by the narrowest of margins at 13 points to 14 after a rousing game and to share the trophy they must win to-day. A defeat or even a draw will be of no use to them.

Both Navy and Club have full sides out and a really hard and exciting game with the ultimate result ever in doubt until the last whistle should be seen by spectators.

Prior to the Tournament game the Club "A" XV will play the Royal Engineers at 2.45 p.m. This game will be refereed by Dr. J. A. R. Selby.

The Club sides have been selected as follows:—

1ST XV:—M. W. MacGrath; G. K. Chadwick, H. D. Bidwell (Captain), W. E. Grieve, D. H. Stewart, F. Cressford, J. R. Henderson, K. A. Watson, K. W. Salter, C. M. Stark; J. S. Dunnett, W. E. Peers; H. W. E. Heath, A. J. G. Taylor and W. B. Richardson.

"A" XV:—D. I. Besanquet; D. B. Nelson, G. S. Wilson, H. van Leeuwen, J. Hutchison; E. C. Luscombe, W. A. Johnson, P. W. Burton; A. G. Dalziel, G. J. P. Carey, C. R. Davis; W. Stoker, K. H. G. White and Redman (Captain).

GOLF STARTING TIMES

Starting times for Fanling are as follows:—

TO-MORROW

Old Course

A.M.
9.16 H. H. Mundy and C. Mycock.
9.20 A. E. Lissaman and W. J. S. Key.
9.28 S. H. Dodwell and I. H. Geare.
9.32 A. D. Humphreys and D. H. Blake.
9.36 P. S. Delany and E. T. McMullen.
9.40 R. H. Gregory and W. Woodling.
9.44 D'Arcy Weatherbe and K. S. Morrison.
9.48 G. C. Worrall and Comdr. Hole.
9.52 C. M. Gee and J. W. Mayhew.
9.56 G. McGrane and C. F. Marshall.

New Course

9.24 H. and Mrs. Overy.
10.12 G. S. Archbutt and F. A. Redmond.
10.20 Lt.-Col. and Mrs. Matthews.
MONDAY
Old Course
9.16 A. W. Hodges and S. C. Feltham.
9.20 Pay. Cdr. Colson and Col. Holt.
9.24 E. Laidlaw and J. W. Mayhew.
9.28 L. C. F. Bellamy and J. Forbes.
9.32 F. Groves and J. Stenersen.
9.36 G. McGrane and C. F. Marshall.
9.40 J. Hackney and P. H. Scoones.
9.44 W. T. Yorall and H. J. D. Lowe.
9.48 A. H. Penn and V. R. Gordon.
9.52 Lt.-Cdr. Murray and J. B. Mackie.
9.56 J. E. Richardson and R. M. Wood.
10.00 C. H. Burton and R. Young.
10.04 S. J. H. Fox and I. H. Geare.
10.08 P. S. Cassidy and D. A'Arcy Weatherbe.
10.12 R. L. S. Webb and A. A. Bremner.
10.16 A. V. Greaves and W. M. Barton.

MACAO RACE MEETING

Handicaps And Entries

Entries and handicaps for the January Race Meeting to be held on January 8, are as follows:—

Szechuen Handicap.—(First Section) Nine Furlongs

Fairy Ank (156), Fairy Ousel (133), Hogmanay (145), Merry Maker (140), Shanghai 4 (160), Victory Life (140).

Chinghai Handicap.—(First Section) Six Furlongs

Cricketer (140), Laitat (144), Mac's Adventure (168), National Dignity (140), National Triumph (147), Symic (162), Yum Sing (158).

Kansu Handicap.—"D" Class. Half a Mile

Black Monday (155), Cuban Love (145), Double Chance (161), Gold Sovereign (150), Good Morning (151), Lucky Eleven (140), National Anthem (150), The Leopard (148), Wenning (151).

Szechuen Handicap.—(Second Section) Nine Furlongs

Chureur Bleu (160), Gold Clause (151), Hopefulleg (154), Meadow Eve (135), Merry Fatty (144), Morning Tip (149), Rothsay Bay (147), Shih Yin Grand (135).

Chinghai Handicap.—(Second Section) Six Furlongs

Cloudy Star (158), Double Up (140), Eagle (155), Iron Knight (140), Labour Day (150), Persian Cat (157).

Ladies Scurry.—(Unofficial) Catch-Weights, Three Furlongs

Black Monday, Captain Blood, Cricketer, Lucky Day, Merry Fatty Shandy.

ARMY AND NAVY HOCKEY DRAW

(BY "QUIZ")

A fast and interesting hockey match was witnessed at Sookun-poo yesterday when the Army and Navy shared eight goals in their Triangular Hockey Tournament fixture. Lt. Pritam Nath signified his return to local hockey by scoring three of the four Army goals.

After trailing behind the Navy by the odd goal in three in the initial half, the Army put on pressure after the interval to net three times.

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GOVERNOR AT BOWLS

A lawn bowls match will be played between His Excellency the Governor's team and the Kowloon Bowling Green Club on Saturday, January 7, at 3 p.m. on the K.B.G.C. green.

Sporting Fixtures

TO-DAY

CRICKET.—Triangular tournament. Hongkong C.C. v. Navy, 11 a.m.; Kowloon C.C. Intra-Club.

CYCLING.—H.K. Cycling Club Annual New Year's Eve run, from Methodist Church, Wan-chai, 11.30 p.m.

FOOTBALL.—Senior Shield 2nd Round, Kowloon v. South China "A" (Kowloon), 4 p.m. Junior Shield, 3rd Round, 5th R.A. v. P.W.D. (Sookunpoo), 2.30 p.m.; Middlesex v. Kowloon (Sookunpoo), 4 p.m.; South China (A) v. R.E. (Caroline Hill), 4 p.m. Second Division, St. Joseph's v. Eastern (St. Joseph's), 4 p.m. Third Division (A), South China v. R.E. (C) (Caroline Hill), 2.30 p.m.; Klt Chee v. 5th R.A. (Causeway Bay), 4 p.m. Third Division (B), University v. Powhattan (St. Joseph's), 2.30 p.m.

10.20 P. S. Delany and C. M. Gee. New Course
9.24 W. Sharp and T. J. O'Brien.
9.32 A. D. Humphreys and W. G. Adams.
9.40 H. and Mrs. Overy.
9.48 Mrs. Webb and Miss Thompson.

SOFTBALL FOR HOLIDAY

Big Programme Of Ladies' Games

HONG LEAGUE FORMED

(BY R. O. Y.)

An extensive programme of ladies' softball games has been arranged for Monday morning. Only one men's match, at 2.30 p.m., is to be played between the Filipino Club and the Central British Association in the replay of their previous unfinished clash.

The Filipino boys, on that occasion, were leading by 15 runs to 1, so should have little difficulty in taking the honours from the Central Britishers who have improved tremendously and last week registered their first win of the season.

A double-header will be played on the Filipino ground, the first game will start at 10 a.m. and will see the Wildcats pitted against the Cubs. Coach Bill Smith has been busy teaching the Baby Bruins to hunt and expects his squad to spring a surprise on the hard hitting opposition.

There has been no news from the Wildcats camp but as they are under the able tutelage of Nip Lum, fans can be sure of seeing some slick squeeze plays executed by both teams.

YEAR'S SURPRISE

The Wahoons, this year's surprise packet, are to go into action against the Baby Panthers, at 11.15 a.m., and in view of their previous convincing displays, should register their third straight victory.

On the C. B. A. ground, the Muirmaids will clash with the Pirates, at 10 a.m. The Central British girls have a slight edge in experience, and should register their first win over the Buccaneers who have not yet had enough practice, but should do well later on.

At 11 a.m. Recreio Ladies are at home to the Canadian Chinese girls; both squads went down to surprise defeats, to the Cubs and Wahoons respectively, and will go all out to redeem themselves. As these two aggregations depend mainly on heavy hitting to carry them through, this match should prove to be the most entertaining fracas of the day.

HONG LEAGUE

At a meeting held on Wednesday afternoon, at the Brook Club, the long mooted Hong League was formed; entries were received from the following hongs: Wayloong, Chartered Bank, National City Bank, Netherlands Bank, American Express, A. P. C. Shells, Texaco, Socony-Vacuum and Petty Officers' Mess.

The closing date, for further entries, is 8 p.m. on Monday, January 16, 1939. No ground has yet been arranged, but the league committee is making strenuous efforts to obtain a suitable venue before the closing date.

BILLY WELLS TO MEET WRESTLER

"If I Can Hit Him—"

Bombardier Billy Wells, heavyweight champion of Great Britain from 1911 to 1918, is to put on the gloves again, at the age of 50, to box an all-in wrestler.

He is billed to take part in a "Boxer v. Wrestler" fight at the Empress, Hall, Earls Court. His opponent will be Chick Knight.

"I've still got a wallop," Wells said. "A wrestler ought to be easy enough to hit, if you can get near him."

"It might happen you know, I've got one good punch in my right, and a whole lot in my left. And if I can hit him—"

If you mention his 50 years the Bombardier says: "Forget that! I'm 42. At least that's what I tell them, and that's all I look. I'm 42, not 50."

CAN WARD OFF HIT The fight will be held to a finish in five-minute rounds. The finish will be a knock-out for Wells or a fall for Knight.

Wells will wear boxing gloves and fight only as a boxer. Knight will try to overcome the straight lefts and right hooks and win by all-in methods.

He can ward off Wells's blows, but he must not punch back. He

KOWLOON GOLF RESULTS

W. A. Simpson Wins Title

W. A. Simpson beat A. L. Eastman 7 and 6 in the final over 36 holes on December 25. Eastman started very steadily winning the first 2 holes in 3's. Simpson managed to reduce this deficit and was 1 up at the turn, a well earned 34 in the 2nd nine against a very strong crosswind, gave him a lead of 5 holes at the 18th. Simpson continued to play steadily in the afternoon, Eastman whose putting as a rule is very good lost his touch on the greens and failed to reduce Simpson's lead, the game ending at the 36th hole. Simpson's score of 150 for 36 holes was a very creditable performance and he is to be congratulated on winning his first championship.

STABLEFORD COMPETITION
T. D. Paton with 344 points won the Stableford Competition played over the Xmas holidays. W. A. Ahern runner up with a score of 33 points. There was a total of 15 entries.

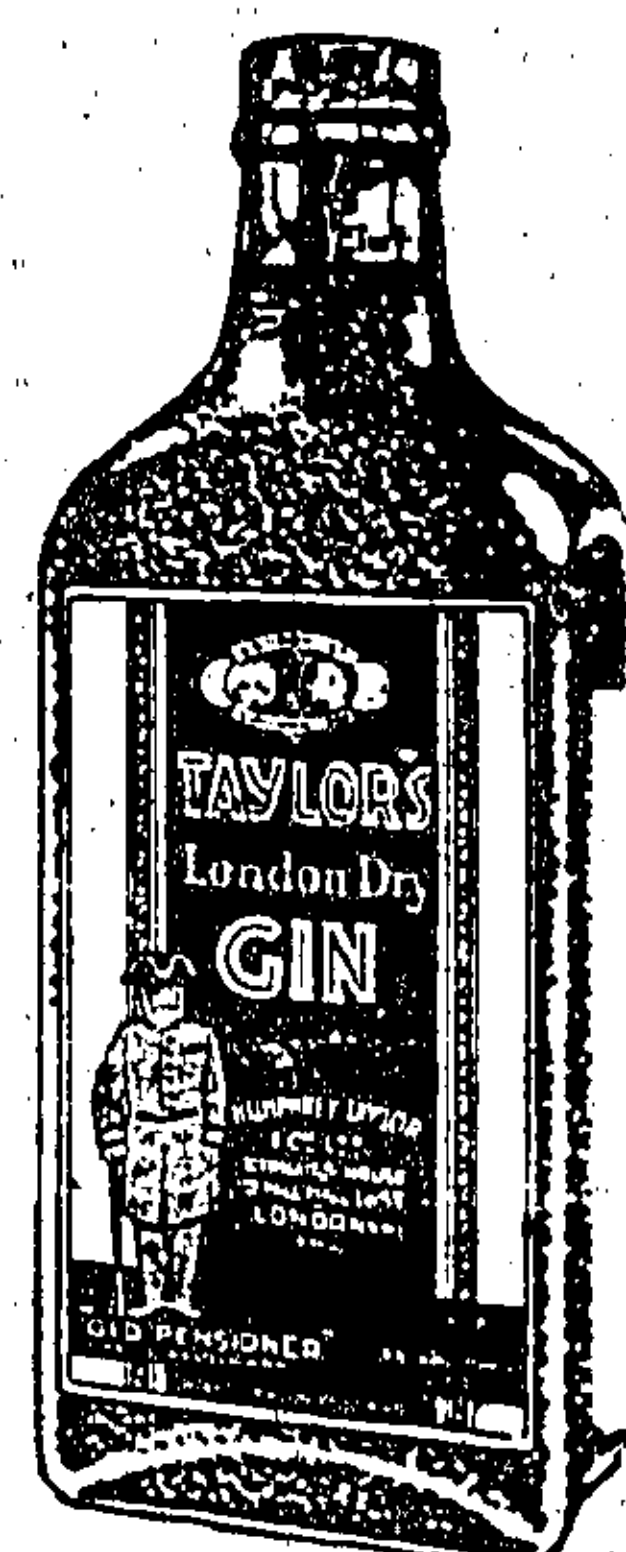
G. Butfield playing the 8th hole a distance of 150 yards holed out in 1.

must win by a fall.

Mr. Harold Lane, who is promoting the fight as the "extra sensation" in his "Cavalcade of Wrestling" show, says, "I'm having a bob on Wells."

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ADMIRALTY, DECEMBER 7

Act. Sub-Lieut. to be Sub-Lieut. with seny. as stated:—J. F. Stewart, J. F. House (Sept. 1, 1937); H. G. Barnard (Nov. 1, 1937); D.N.H. Ogilvy (Sept. 16); T. B. Winstanley (Oct. 16); P. E. Nicolls (Dec. 1).

DECEMBER 9

R.N.
Paymr. Comdr. H. P. Hunter, D.S.C., placed on Retd. List with rank of Paymr. Capt. (Dec. 9).

DECEMBER 10

R.N.
Surg. Lieut.-Comdr. J. G. Currie, L.R.C.P. and S. to be Surg. Comdr. (Dec. 7); Lieut. W. G. Pappin placed on Retd. List (Dec. 10).

DECEMBER 12

R.N.
Wdmstr. Lieut. B. J. Hore, M.B.E., placed on Retd. List (Dec. 11); Cd. Wdmstr. A. Burch to be Wdmstr. Lieut. (Dec. 11); Wdmstr. J. Gaylin to be Cd. Wdmstr. (Dec. 11); the Rev. E. G. D. Fawkes, M.A., Chaplain, transferred to Permanent List with orig. seny. of Dec. 11, 1934.

WAR OFFICE, DEC. 13

REGULAR ARMY
The follg. Col. are granted the hon. rank of Brig. on retirement:—R. M. Birkett, D.S.O. (Feb. 18); H. A. R. Aubrey, O.B.E., M.C. (April 5); S. Howes, D.S.O., M.C. (Sept. 8); C. E. Boyce, D.S.O. (Sept. 13); O. Y. Hibbert, D.S.O., M.C. (Sept. 24); E. W. S. Balfour, D.S.O., O.B.E., M.C. (Oct. 18); R. T. Hammick, D.S.O. (Nov. 1); S. T. Polley (Dec. 13).

Col. (temp. Brig.) A. N. Floyer-Acland, D.S.O., M.C., to be Maj.-Gen. (Dec. 7), with seny. Jan. 8 next below Maj.-Gen. R. T. Snowden-Smith, C.B.E., M.I. Mech. E.; Col. B. L. Duke, D.S.O., O.B.E., retires on ret. pay (Dec. 13); Lt.-Col. C. L. St. J. Tudor, O.B.E., M.C., from R.A.S.C., to be Col. (Dec. 6), with seny. July 1, 1935.

COMMANDS AND STAFF
Col. B. L. Duke, D.S.O., O.B.E., relinquishes the appt. of off. 1/c Record and Pay Office (Field Branch), R.A. (Dec. 13).

The follg. appts. are made:—Col. C. L. St. J. Tudor, O.B.E., M.C., to be Asst. Dir. of Supplies and Trans., W. Command (Dec. 8); Maj. W. P. E. Walton, N. Stafford R. from Bde. Maj. 164th (North Lancashire) Inf. Bde., T.A. to be G.S.O. for Weapon Training, Aldershot Comd. (Dec. 1).

CAVALRY
R.H.G.—Capt. E. J. H. Merry retires, receiving a gratuity (Dec. 14).

10th H.—Lt. I. C. Tetley is secd. whilst holding a spec. appt. (Sept. 29).

ROYAL REGIMENT OF ARTILLERY

Maj. C. V. Oakley remains secd. whilst attending Supp. Gunn. Staff Course (Nov. 7); Capt. N. St. C. Campbell is secd. for serv. with the T.A. (Nov. 1); Capt. G. E. Peck to be Adj. vice Capt. J. R. Cochrane (Nov. 14); Capt. H. R. McConnell is secd. for serv. with the T.A. (Dec. 1); Lt. (D. O.) W. Taylor to be Capt. (D.O.) (Dec. 11).

FOOT GUARDS

Gren. G'ds.—Maj. G. H. Bull is secd. whilst holding the appt. of Chief Instr. Hythe Wing, Small Arms Sch. (Dec. 1).

S. G'ds.—Capt. (Dir. of Music) H. E. Dowell, L.R.A.M., having attained the age for retirement, retires on ret. pay (Dec. 12); Bandmr. Sam. Rhodes, Mus.Bac., A.R.C.M., R.A., to be Lt. (Dir. of Music) (Dec. 12).

INFANTRY

King's Own R.—Maj. J. W. Lugard remains secd. whilst holding the appt. of Asst. Supt., Research Dept. (Nov. 28).

R. War. R.—Capt. B. D. A. Etches is secd. whilst empld. as Instr. Mil. Coll. of Science (Dec. 1).

R. Norfolk R.—Capt. W. H. Clifford is secd. for serv. on the Staff (Sept. 29).

Suffolk R.—Capt. N. M. Barnardiston is secd. whilst empld. as Asst. Instr. Small Arms Inspn. Dept. (Nov. 17); Capt. J. C. R. Eley is secd. whilst empld. as Instr. Small Arms Sch. (Dec. 1).

R. W. Fus.—Maj. H. F. Garnons-Williams is secd. for serv. on the Staff (Nov. 1); Capt. E. H. Cadogan remains secd. for serv. as an Adj. T. A. (Nov. 1); Capt. R. J. F. Smead-Cox is secd. for serv. with Sudan Def. Force (Nov. 25).

S. Wales Bde.—R.Q.M.S. I. Jarman to be Lt. (Qr.-Mr.) (Nov. 4).

Worc. R.—Capt. D. H. Nott is secd. for serv. on the Staff (Nov. 25).

D.W.R.—Capt. E. W. Stevens is secd. for serv. on the Staff (Sept. 29).

Dorset R.—Maj. L. J. Woodhouse, M.C., is secd. for serv. on the Staff (Sept. 29).

S. Lan. R.—Lt. R. H. Humphries to be Capt. (Dec. 13).

R. Berks R.—Capt. P. H. C. Hayward is secd. for serv. under the Colonial Office (Sept. 23); Capt. A. F. Wells is secd. for serv. as an Adj. T. A. (Dec. 1).

R.W.K.—The follg. Capt. are secd. for serv. as Adjts. T.A.:—E. S. Heygate (Dec. 7); M. H. Keane (Dec. 4).

K.R.R.C.—Capt. C. Dalby is secd. for serv. on the Staff (Nov. 15).

Gordons.—Maj. H. I. Bradshaw is secd. for serv. as an Adj. T. A. (Nov. 28).

Cameron.—Sec. Lt. N. P. D. Caldecott Baird is secd. for serv. on the Staff in India (Nov. 28).

Rifle Bde.—Capt. F. C. D. Tothill is secd. whilst holding the appt. of Asst. Inspn. Inspn. Dept. (Nov. 21); Lt. E. J. E. de Las Casas is secd. for serv. under the Colonial Office (Nov. 24).

ROYAL TANK CORPS

Maj. B. Bloomer, having attained the age for retirement, retires on ret. pay (Dec. 13).

R.C. ARMY SERVICE CORPS

Maj. C. E. Davis to be Lt.-Col. (Dec. 6).

ROYAL ARMY MEDICAL CORPS

Lt.-Gen. Sir Harold Fawcus, K.C.B., C.M.G., D.S.O., D.C.L., M.B.E., ret. pay, is apptd. Col. Comdt. (Dec. 13), vice Lt.-Gen. Sir T. H. John C. Goodwin, K.C.B., K.C.M.G., D.S.O., F.R.C.S., ret. pay, resigned.

Short Service Commission.—The appt. of Lt. S. H. Gibbs, M.B.E., is antedated to April 1, 1936, under the prov. of Art. 36, Royal Warrant for Pay and Promotion, 1931, but not to carry pay and allowances prior to April 1, 1937; Lt. S. H. Gibbs, M.B.E., to be Capt. (April 1), with seny. April 1, 1937. (Substituted for the notifn in the Gazette of April 29.)

STAFF FOR ROYAL ENGINEER SERVICES

Lt. Col. (Supt. Inspn. of Works (Local Col.) H. E. Coad, A.M. Inst. J.E., to be Col. (Chief Inspn. of Works) and relinquishes the local rank of Col. (Nov. 25).

ESTABLISHMENTS

Mil. Coll. of Science.—Capt. B. D. A. Etches, R. War. R., to be Instr. (Dec. 1).

Sch. of Mil. Engineering.—Maj. and Bt. Lt.-Col. B. T. Godfrey-Faussett, M.C., R.E., to be Chief Instr., Field Works and Bridg. (Nov. 9); Maj. R. E. Fryer, R.E., relinquishes the appt. of C.I.E. Instr. (Dec. 11).

Inspection and Experimental Staff.—Lt.-Col. (D.O.) W. J. Ball, M.B.E., R.A., relinquishes spec. appt. (Dec. 5).

Research Dept.—Maj. J. W. Lugard, King's Own R., from Staff Capt., War Office, to be Asst. Supt. (temp.) (Nov. 28).

MEMORANDA

Maj.-Gen. W. Platt, D.S.O., to be Maj.-Gen. Comdt. The Troops in The Sudan and Comdt. Sudan Def. Force (Nov. 11) (substituted for the notifn in the Gazette of Nov. 25); Maj. (Qr.-Mr.) C. L. Thorne, R.S. Fus., is transferred to the E.R.E. List, on appt. a (Qr.-Mr.), Staff Coll., Camberley (Nov. 29); Maj. D. B. Aitken, O.B.E., D.F.C., Seaforth, to be G.S.O. 2nd Grade (Wing Comdr. Air Staff) No. 18 Training Group, R.A.F., Donibristle, Fife, and is granted the local rank of Lt.-Col. while so empld. (Dec. 1); Capt. and Bt. Maj. G. H. Bolster, R. North's Fus., from Bde. Maj. Cairo Bde., to be Instr. in English at a French Mil. Sch. (Nov. 1).

CZECHS DEMAND RETURN OF TERRITORY

BRATISLAVA, Dec. 30 (Reuter).—A demand for return to Czechoslovakia of territory transferred to Hungary will be made at a big demonstration here to-morrow.

The demonstration has been organised by Dr. Karl Sidor, deputy Premier of Czechoslovakia.

PRAGUE-BRESLAU RAILWAY

PRAGUE, Dec. 30 (T/Ocean).—The Czechoslovak Government plans the construction of a new railway line from Prague, via G'atshin, to Neupaka at the German frontier, whence a line will be built to Breslau.

ROYAL NAVY

SUBMARINE COMMAND

Rear-Admiral R. H. T. Raikes, C.B., C.V.O., D.S.O., hauled down his flag at Fort Blockhouse, Gosport, on relinquishing the appointment of Rear-Admiral (Submarines). He will be succeeded by Rear-Admiral B. C. Watson, C.B., D.S.O., late Director of the R.N. Staff College, and recently employed on special service at the Admiralty.

COMMAND OF THE SUSSEX

Captain A. R. Hammick will command H.M.S. Sussex in the 1st Cruiser Squadron, Mediterranean, in succession to Captain H. E. C. Blagrove, A.D.C.

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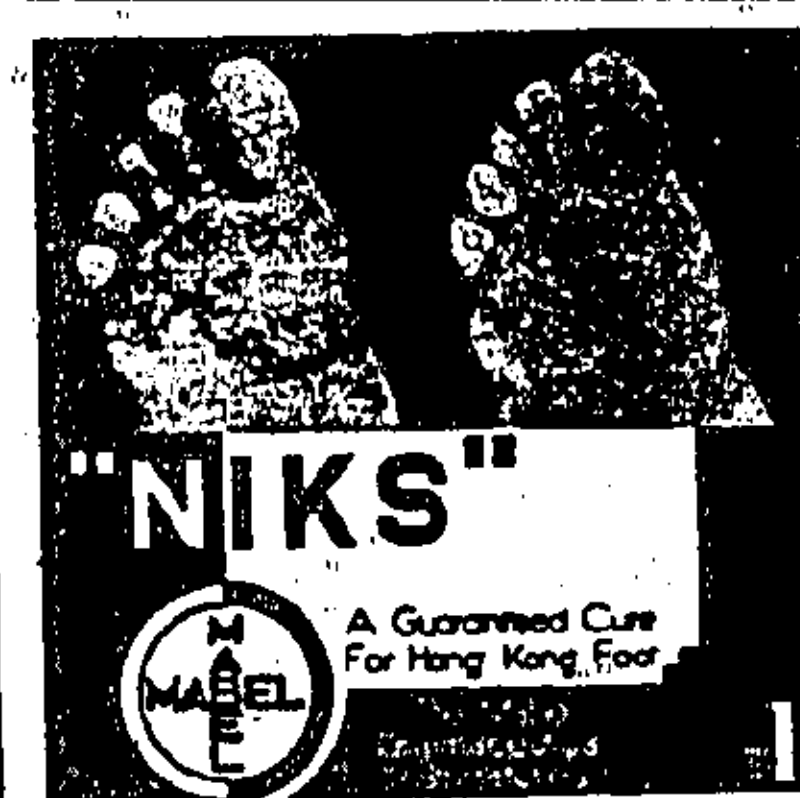
CHAPLAIN RETIRED

The Rev. G. H. Hewitt, M.A., chaplain at the R.N. Hospital, Chatham, since 1932, was placed on the retired list.

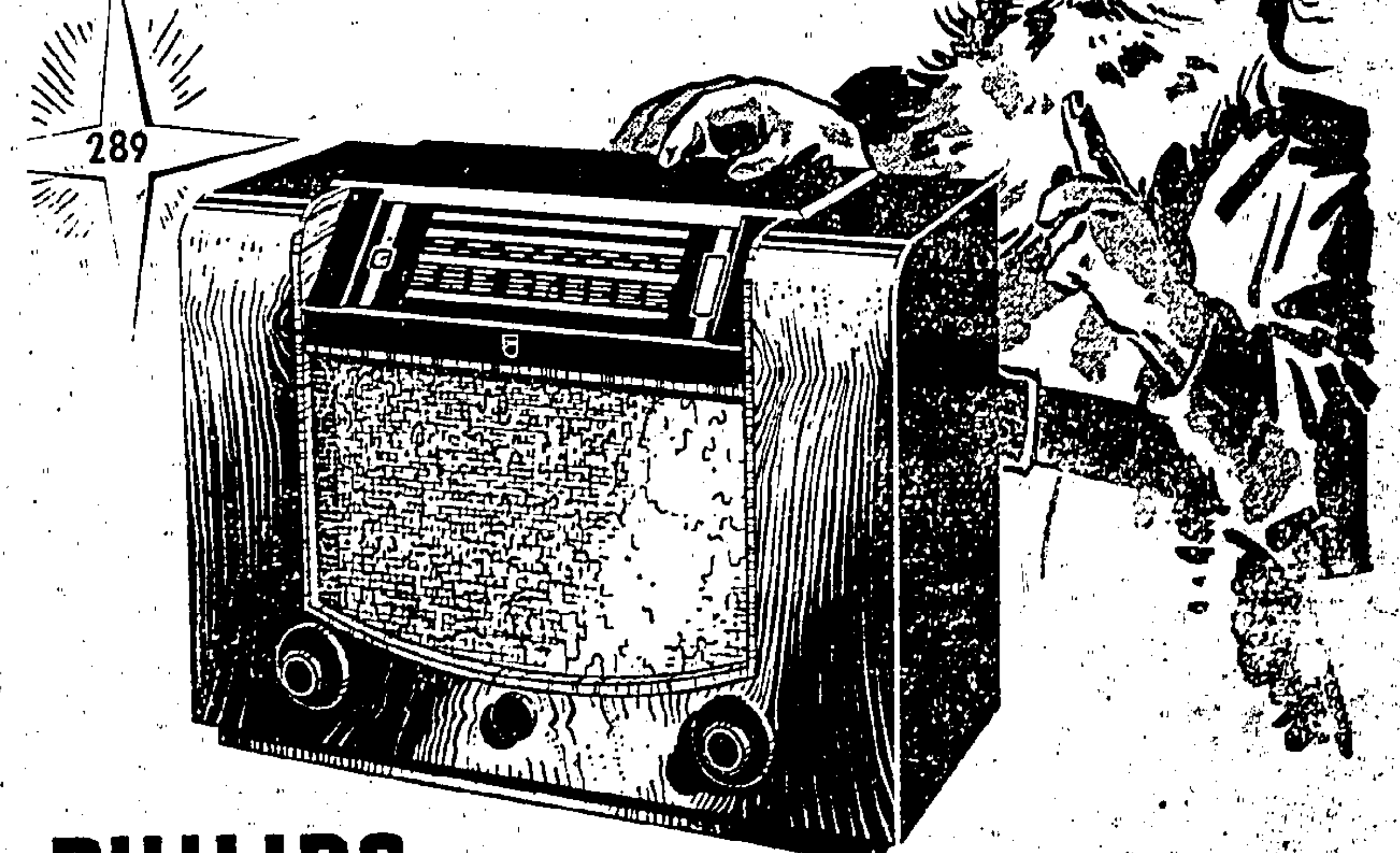
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The retirement is announced of Paymaster Commander H. P. Hunter, D.S.C., with the rank of paymaster captain, after more than 32 years' service.

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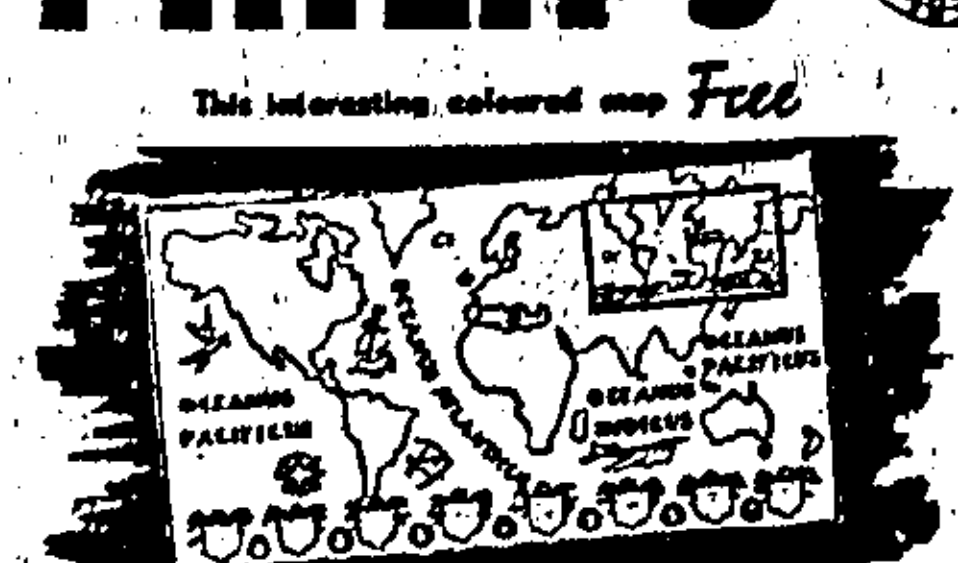


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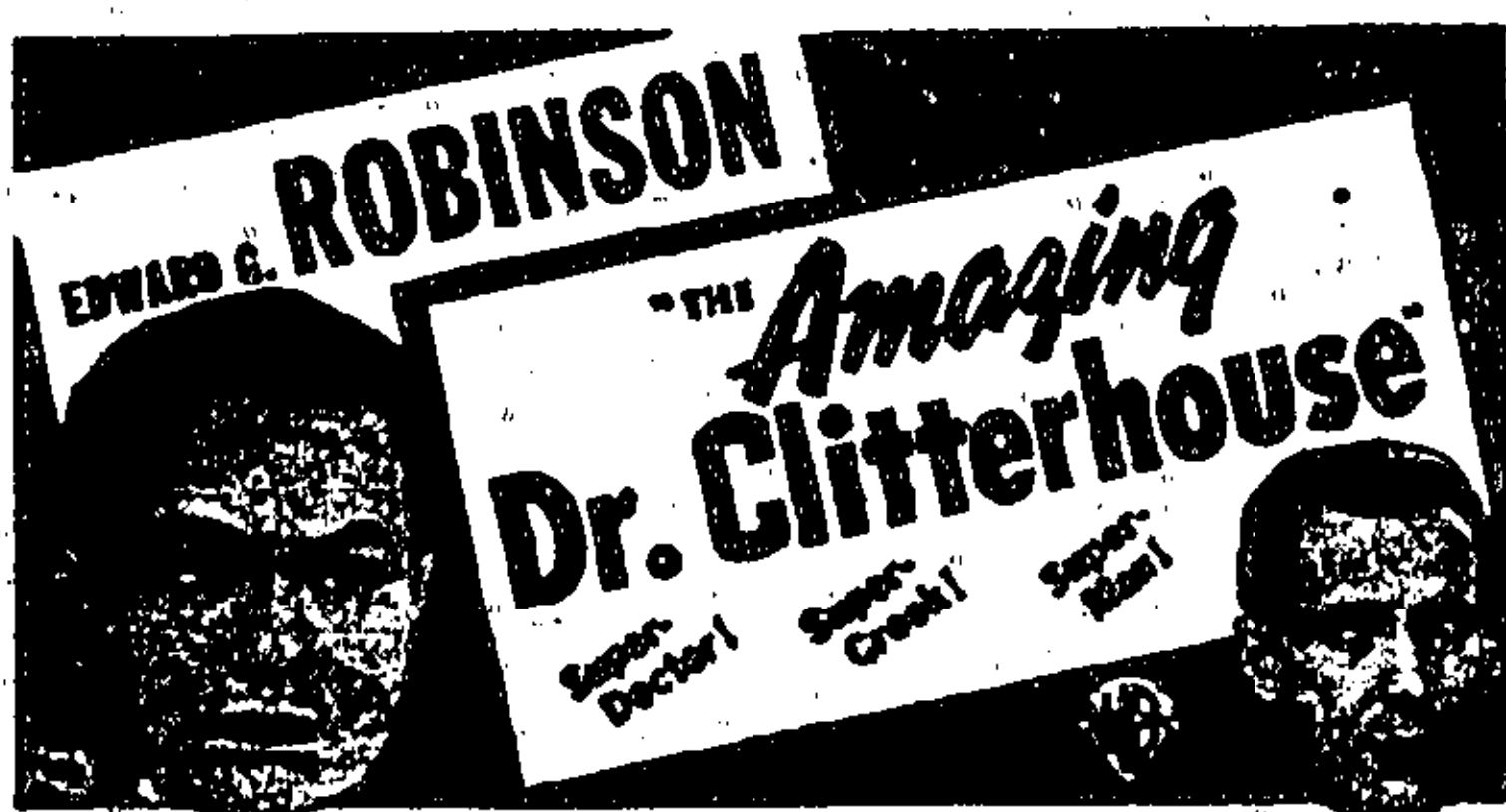
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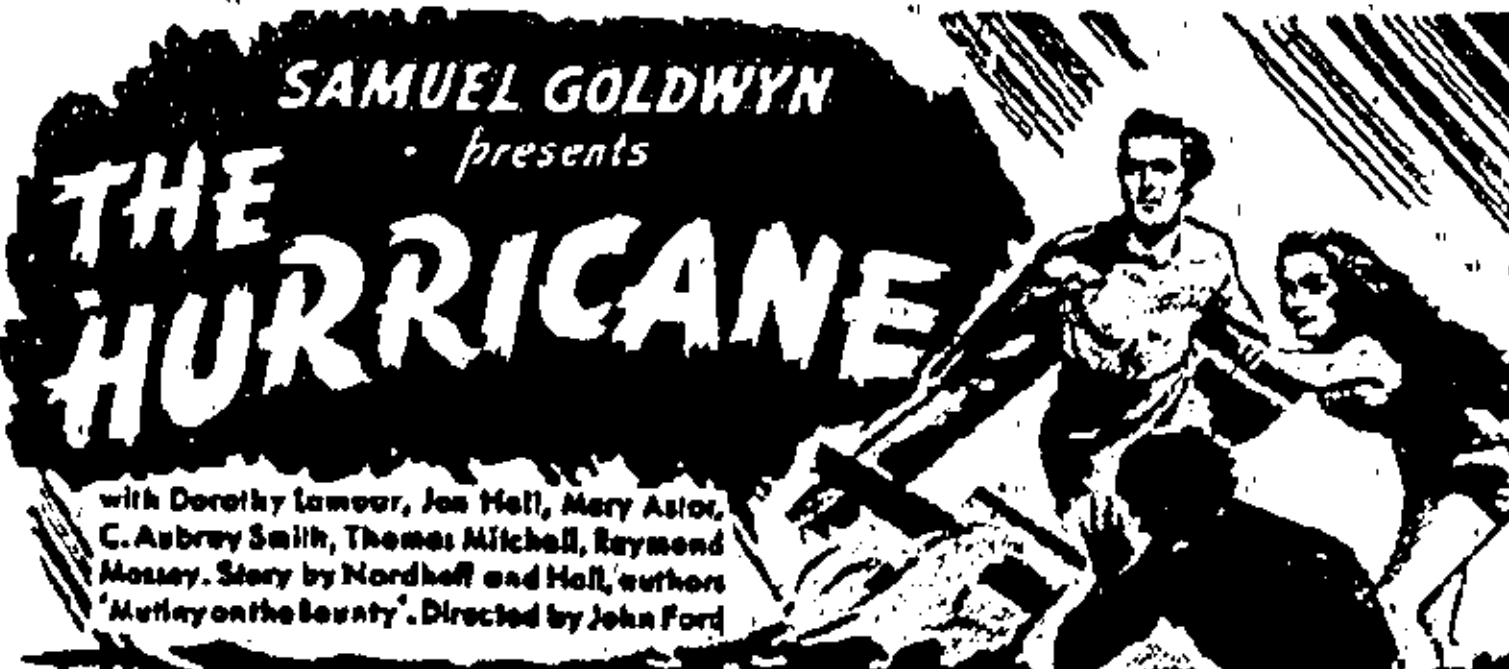
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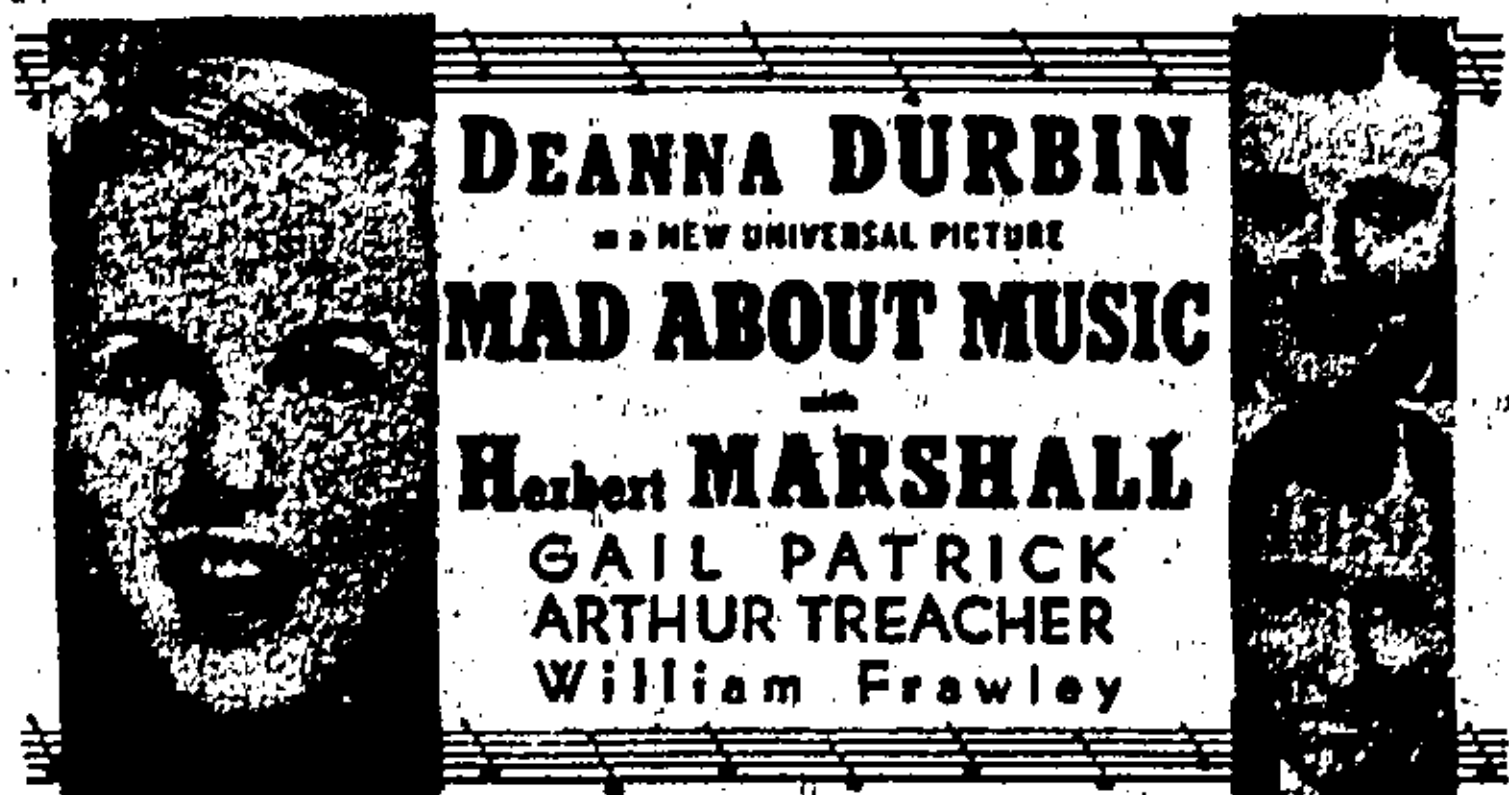
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It is believed, says the paper, that the plan for facilitation of Jewish emigration, submitted by Dr. Schacht, President of the Reichsbank, will be suitable as a basis for discussion.—Trans Ocean.

Solution No. 196

ACROSS: 4, Slumber, 8, Trowel, 9, Martial, 11, Rotten, 14, F.A., 15, Ruled, 17, Poker, 18, Lean, 19, Given, 21, Organ, 25, Spoil, 26, Weep, 27, Spite, 28, Tulp, 30, End, 32, Eagles, 33, Greased, 34, Reveal, 35, Leisure, DOWN: 1, Sterile, 2, Portray, 3, Level, 5, Load, 6, Mutton, 7, Enamel, 10, Ripen, 12, Turn, 13, Negro, 16, Digit, 20, Value, 21, Opens, 22, Replied, 23, Epistle, 24, Sparse, 25, Steals, 26, Wig, 29, Label, 31, Dear.

Today's Screenings

Hongkong

KING'S:
"The Drum"
QUEEN'S:
"That Certain Woman"
ORIENTAL:
"The Amazing Dr. Clitterhouse"

Kowloon

ALHAMBRA:
"The Road to Reno"
STAR:
"Sing Me A Love Song"
MAJESTIC:
"Test Pilot"

Coming

QUEEN'S:
"If I Were King"
"The Rat"

ORIENTAL:
"The Hurricane"
"Woman Chases Man"

ALHAMBRA:
"If I Were King"
"Painted Desert"

STAR:
"Mag About Music"
"The Invisible Man"
MAJESTIC:
"You're Only Young Once"
"She Married An Artist"

SHE MARRIED AN ARTIST

John Boles, Luli Deste, Frances Drake, Helen Westley and other well-known Hollywood players are seen to-day at the Majestic Theatre in "She Married an Artist," an up-to-the-minute story of New York's Greenwich Village. Comedy and romance are deftly interwoven here into one of the best pictures of the season, and John Boles has never been better in any picture.

On the stage, Queenie and her Hawaiian entertainers will make merry. Queenie has just concluded a very successful season at the Gloucester Hotel.

SONJA HENIE CO-DEFENDENT IN LAWSUIT

Chicago, Dec. 30.
Sonja Henie, the former ice-skating champion of the world and now a popular film star, has been named co-defendant in an action for \$3,000,000 damages.

The action brought on behalf of Fred Walton, ex-vaudeville artist, alleges that the Twentieth Century-Fox Film Corporation and four subsidiary companies pirated a film plot.

Walton declares that the film "Thin Ice," starring Sonja Henie, was taken from a story which, he claims, was written by him and rejected by a film-story agent two years before "Thin Ice" was produced.—Reuter.

DRAMA OF NORTHWEST FRONTIER



Sabu, of "Elephant Boy" fame, Valerie Hobson and Roger Livesey in a tense moment from "The Drum," Alexander Korda's excellent technicolour film showing to-day at the King's Theatre.

Shoeshine Boy Reveals Stars' Character

Believe it or not, your shoes can give you away. Bob Cox, shoeshine boy at a Hollywood studio, claims that he can tell more about people by looking at their shoes than he could by any number of bumps on their skulls or lines in their hands.

"Yes, sir, shoes can certainly give a person away," Bob said as he applied a sponge to a particularly stubborn spot. "Take Joan Crawford's shoes, for example. You can tell she's active, just by looking at the soles. The heels are never worn, only the soles at the tip. Whenever shoes are worn like that, it means that the

person is alive, wide-awake, loves to dance, and is barely still a second.

"Lew Ayres," Bob went on, "is the dreamer type. His shoes are always scuffed up at the toes, both of them. That means that he is the type of fellow who enjoys long walks so that he can think. In fact, he is thinking so deeply that he usually kicks whatever is in his way without realizing it, whether it be a rock or an old tin can."

SHY JAMES STEWART

James Stewart, so his shoes reveal, is just as shy off the screen as on.

"It's always the toe on the right shoe that needs the most attention," Bob explained. "It isn't really scuffed, just worn where he unconsciously grinds it around in the dirt. He has this same mannerism on the screen. Watch him."

As for Clark Gable, Gable always knows exactly where he's going and takes a direct route. Bob explains that this shows up in the fact that the soles of his shoes are worn evenly.

"A person who is indecisive never has shoe soles worn evenly," Bob said. "They are always thinner on one side or the other as the person sways back and forth in his decisions."

SHOESHINE PSYCHOLOGISTS

That Bob, the shoeshine boy, can study character by shoes is not to be questioned. He can tell whether or not a person is vain by the stretch of the last; whether he is sensible by the cut of the vamp or the height of the heel; whether he is careful or careless by the condition of the soles.

He claims, further, that he alone is not gifted with the ability of analysis, but that it is shared by the brotherhood of shoeshine boys everywhere.

SOLD JAPANESE RAINCOATS FINED

London, Dec. 30.
The well-known Kensington stores of John Bakers, were fined £10 and twenty guineas costs in the West London police court yesterday on a charge arising from the sale of a raincoat made in Japan, which did not bear the necessary marking.

The defence asserted that everything possible was done to comply with the Merchandise Marks Act. For ten years Bakers had purchased British raincoats, but owing to a shortage in October they accepted a supply of Japanese coats which were equally good. They were supplied without labels, and Bakers would be entitled to sell them in that state, but having applied their own label, they should have indicated their foreign origin.

The magistrate declared that it was vitally important that legislation should be respected, not only for the protection of the public, but it was of great importance to traders when faced with the kind of competition they were up against from Japan and other countries.—Reuter.

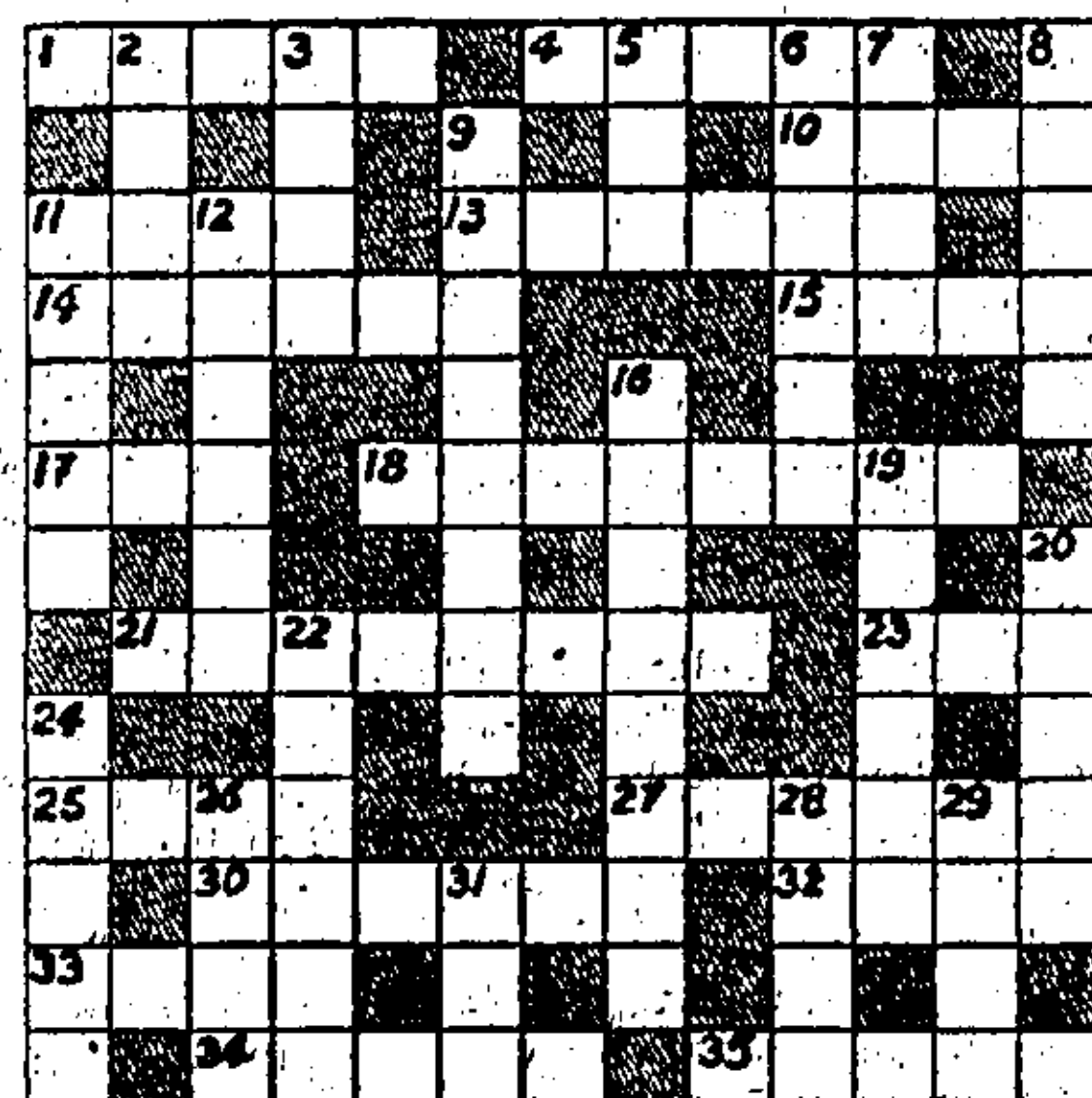
CROSSWORD NO. 197

ACROSS

- 1 Weapon (5)
- 4 Fen (5)
- 10 Whip (4)
- 11 Tribe (4)
- 13 Flat-fish (3)
- 14 Cleric (6)
- 15 Microbe (4)
- 17 Female (3)
- 18 Putz into office (8)
- 21 Valued highly (8)
- 23 Total (3)
- 25 Heath (4)
- 27 Place in (6)
- 30 Flower dust (8)
- 32 Disport (4)
- 33 Spa'e (4)
- 34 Shelf (5)
- 35 Bearing weapons (5)

DOWN

- 2 Ruse (4)
- 3 Torn (4)
- 5 Atmosphere (3)
- 6 Catchy phrase (6)
- 7 Detest (4)
- 8 Disgrace (5)
- 9 Bared (8)
- 11 Rind (5)
- 12 Approach (6)
- 16 Wrapper (8)
- 19 Hanging knob (6)
- 20 Friendliness (5)
- 22 Royal seat (6)
- 24 Ting (5)
- 26 Gem (4)
- 28 To box (4)
- 29 Child (4)
- 31 Daily (3)



SOLUTION ON TUESDAY

DIARY OF LOCAL EVENTS

TO-DAY

ANNIVERSARIES and HOLIDAYS.
—New Year's Eve. Hogmanay.
CINEMAS.—(See Column 3 of this Page)

DANCES.—Kowloon Cricket Club New Year Eve Ball, 9.30 p.m.; Craigengower Cricket Club President's Dance, 9.30 p.m.

LECTURES.—First Aid, St. John Ambulance Hqrs., 3.30 p.m.

MAILS.—(See Page 16)

MOON.—XI Moon, 10th. Day.

RELIGIOUS.—The Deum and Benediction in Catholic Cathedral, 6 p.m.; and Watchnight Services in all Hongkong Churches, from 11 p.m. to midnight.

SPORTS.—(See Page 2).

SUNRISE.—7.03 a.m. SUNSET 5.49 p.m.

TIDES.—High at 02.35 and 16.17 Low at 09.23 and 23.53.

TO-MORROW

MISCELLANEOUS.—Y.M.C.A. Discussion Group, in the West Lounge, 9 p.m.

MOON.—XI Moon, 11th. Day.

SUNRISE.—7.02 a.m. SUNSET 5.49 p.m.

TIDES.—High at 01.21 and 15.32; Low at 08.45 and 22.20.

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A Columbia Picture



WOMEN'S PAGE



COUNSEL TELLS JUDGE ABOUT FASHIONS

"Red-Haired Women Cannot Wear Red"

Questions about women's dress and complexions were asked in Westminster County Court recently when Reville School of Fashion Ltd., St. George's House, Hanover-square, W., was sued by Miss Cecile Pretorius, of Queen's-way, Bayswater, for the return of £50 paid as fees.

Mr. G. G. Baker said that Miss Pretorius, a Johannesburg woman with dressmaking and mannequin experience, came to England for domestic reasons. She found that her South African qualifications did not carry her far in her search for a good post, and she went to the Reville School for instruction in colour and fabrics.

Deputy Judge Sir William Moore-Cann: I suppose colour is to dress according to complexion?

Mr. Baker: Yes, it seems that a red haired woman cannot wear red, and so on.

Miss Pretorius gave evidence that she went to the Reville School to study fabrics and the suitability of colours for various types of women. She made it clear to the head that she wanted to become a buyer. She was told she had better take the general course, and that the school was the only one in London where she could get instruction in colour and fabrics.

ATTENDED 37 SESSIONS

"I attended the classes—there were two—for a month," Miss Pretorius added, "and I found there was no instruction in colour or fabrics, only in dressmaking and fashion drawing."

When she complained to the head he said that he would transfer her remaining lessons to the dressmaking section.

Cross-examined, Miss Pretorius denied that she left the school because she was financially embarrassed. She obtained work in February, but not in consequence of having studied at the school. She attended only 37 sessions.

Mr. Ernest Leonard Hollis, director and general manager of the school, denied that colour

IN BETWEEN RACES AT THE VALLEY



PHOTOGRAPH TAKEN at the Thirteenth Extra Race meeting held at Happy Valley recently. (Photo by Leica).

WOMAN NOVELIST ON DRESS, MAKE-UP

A review of costume and make-up from the beginning of the world, was given by Mrs. H. Pearl Adam, the novelist, in a lecture at the "Sunday Times" National Book Fair at Earl's Court recently. Human efforts at dress, she said, began with Eve's fig leaf. A sense of dress was as inherent in the male as in the female.

"Clothes," she said, "have always attracted a great number of male writers—of whom a large proportion are elderly men, including notable dignitaries of the Church."

Discussing make-up, Mrs. Adam said that only one man had told her that he liked coloured nails.

Some views on marriage by "an ancient Victorian," as she called herself, were given by Annie S. Swan, the veteran novelist. "I believe in marriage, not as an experiment or a makeshift, as it is so regarded in some circles to-day, but as a permanency," she said.

"I am of opinion, based on long experience of human nature and life, that the majority of marriages are happy, though I admit that some of them might be kept in better repair."

and fabrics were specifically mentioned by him when he gave Miss Pretorius the brochure about the school, nor Miss Pretorius say that she wanted to study these subjects.

SINGAPORE REGISTRY WEDDING

At the Singapore Registry recently, Mr. Merton Holland Brown, general manager of Thornycroft (Singapore) Ltd., was married to Mrs. Henrietta Claire Shaw, of Hongkong.

The bridegroom who is well-known in Singapore yachting circles, is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Brown of South Africa. The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. Stanfield, of Hongkong.

Mrs. Shaw who was given away by Mrs. Joy Armstrong, of Singapore, wore a flowing pleated purple dress, and crimson belt with complete pale grey accessories.

The best man was Mr. Henry Worham, and the groomsmen Mr. Ivan White.

NEWSETTES

Mrs. D. Wardle will arrive at Government House on Wednesday next.

Dr. and Mrs. A. Gaudin arrived here in the Empress of Japan yesterday.

H.E. the Governor and Lady Northcote will return to Government House from Fanning Lodge on Tuesday.

Miss Batty-Smith will leave Fanning Lodge on Tuesday and will take up residence at the Helena May Institute.

An official dinner will be given at Government House at 8.15 p.m. on Thursday next.

Mr. B. E. Anthony, connected with the Standard Vacuum Oil Company, arrived in the Empress of Japan yesterday morning.

Capt. and Mrs. A. J. Holland arrived in Hongkong yesterday in the s.s. Empress of Japan.

Mrs. E. F. Koch, wife of the director of the Standard Transportation Co., returned to the Colony in the Empress of Japan yesterday.

Dr. A. Torrance arrived here yesterday from Shanghai in the s.s. Empress of Japan.

Mr. G. B. S. Thomson, of the Hongkong & Whampoa Godown Co., was a passenger in the Empress of Japan, arriving here yesterday.

Lady Northcote will be present on Friday next, at 10.30 a.m., at Sandilands Hut at the annual general meeting of the Hongkong Girl Guides Association.

At 8.15 p.m. on Tuesday, H.E. the Governor and Lady Northcote will dine with Commodore E. B. C. Dicken, O.B.E., D.S.C., R.N., on board H.M.S. Tamar.

As from to-morrow, buses on Route No. 1 will run between Happy Valley and the Vehicular Ferry Wharf only.

The Christmas tea party of the Kowloon Union Church Sunday School has been postponed to January, 4, from 3 to 6 p.m.

Colonel Chao Tung, the guerilla leader who arrived in Hongkong a short while ago, flew to Chungking on Wednesday to report to Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek.

The Chinese Chamber of Commerce will hold a meeting to-day at 2.30 p.m. to complete plans for the \$1 campaign to raise funds to repay the Anglo-American credits to China.

The Filipino community will celebrate Rizal Day to-morrow with a luncheon at the Peninsula Hotel at 2.30 p.m. A musical programme and a dance will follow.

The annual cabaret dinner dance of the Society of Yorkshiresmen in Hongkong will be held at the Hongkong Hotel on Friday, March 3.

H.E. the Governor and Lady Northcote will dine with H.E. Vice-Admiral Sir Percy Noble, K.C.B., C.V.O., and Lady Noble at Admiralty House at 8.30 p.m. on Saturday next, January 7.

Mr. R. Grimshaw, of Messrs. Calbeck, Macgregor & Co., who was for many years president of the Shanghai Football Association and chairman of the committee of the Shanghai Cricket Club, arrived here yesterday from the northern port on transfer.

Beginning to-morrow, the R.A. O. B. (G.L.E.) Club is to be re-constituted. Particulars regarding membership and subscriptions may be obtained from the hon. secretary, Mr. D.A. Peters, or from members of the committee.

The Very Rev. C. Braga, Salesian Provincial to China, arrived in the Colony in the Conte Verde on Thursday. He left China last May for Italy to be present at the General Chapter of the Salesians at Turin in June.

Officers of the Royal Navy of the "3rd and 4th Bachelor Hand" dimensions celebrated a dance at the Gripps on Thursday night. All naval wives were invited while the lonely husbands repaired to the Bowling Alley of the Hongkong Club.

SATURDAY'S MENU

BREAKFAST

Canned Peaches
Cereal
Soft Boiled Eggs
Liver and Bacon
Bran Muffins
Coffee

LUNCHEON

Crab Meat curry in Rice Ring
Roasted Duck
Cranberry Sauce
Pea and Spinach Souffle
Hot Popovers
Sliced Cabbage and Corn Salad
Coffee Ice Cream with Chocolate Sauce
Coffee

DINNER

Fruit Cocktail
Consomme with Sherry
Alligator Pear Salad
Fried Chicken with Puffs
Baked Beans
Carrots a la bourguignone
Mocha Puff
Coffee
Nuts and Raisins
Cointreau

Throne Had To Be Moved

The Throne of England was moved on December 14—the King's forty-third birthday—so that Princess Elizabeth, Princess Margaret Rose and 100 little guests at their Christmas party could enjoy a puppet show in the Throne Room.

The children's party was one of the few occasions when the King and Queen took a "back seat"—they sat several rows back so that the little guests could see the show better.

For forty minutes the audience, which beside the Princesses, and the children of the Duke and Duchess of Kent, included more than 100 grown-ups, laughed at the tiny marionettes.

"Nannies" and guardians sat by royalty, enjoyed watching the Victorian lady and the three soldiers dancing the polka, the grass-hoppers' dance, and three court scenes with Bill the Bos'n. Even the royal ushers laughed.

FIREWORKS, TOO

Before the show, which was given by Mr. and Mrs. Lancaster, queen Mary had a peep behind the scenes.

Afterwards the Queen, dressed in dove-grey, complimented Mr. Lancaster and his wife.

"Her Majesty said some very charming things about our theatre and told us how much they had all enjoyed the show," Mr. Lancaster said.

Tea was served to the guests in the State dining room.

There were crackers, a hugeiced Christmas cake, and all sorts of games.

After tea the Princesses and the other children were taken on to the terrace at the back of the Palace, and with the King and Queen and other guests, watched a fireworks display in the gardens.

The display began with a multi-coloured show of roman candles and bursting "shells," then went on to big firework pieces, including a giant Niagara Fall, a fire wheel and the Star of India.

After that the children went back into the Palace to finish the party with dancing.

Guns of the Royal Artillery fired a salute in Hyde Park at noon in honour of the King's birthday. The day will not be officially celebrated until next June.

The General Telegraph and Telephone Office of Kwangtung Province which, with the fall of Canton was moved to Kwongming, is now being removed to a place near to the site of the provincial capital. The network of telegraphic and telephonic communications will be improved for military purposes.

The well-known Chinese photographer, Mr. Lang Ching-san, has arrived in Hongkong from Chungking and expects to hold an exhibition here of his work shortly. Mr. Lang has exhibited many times in Europe and has won the gold medal of the International Photographic Exhibition in Brussels.

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NAVAL BRIGADE INSPECTION

Wednesday's Event At Valley

The inspection of the Royal Naval and Royal Marine Brigade by His Excellency the Naval Commander-in-Chief will take place at Happy Valley at 10 a.m. on Wednesday, January 4, 1939.

There is limited seating accommodation but ample standing room for spectators, who should enter via the grand stand and cross the race course to the enclosures near the saluting base. Spectators are requested to be in place by 9.45 a.m.

On conclusion of the inspection and march past, His Excellency the Naval Commander-in-Chief will address the Brigade and subsequently lead the column from the review ground. The column will march past His Excellency the Naval Commander-in-Chief again in the vicinity of the China Fleet Club.

In the event of bad weather the inspection will be postponed until Thursday, January 5.

91 TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS IN A WEEK

In the Colony of Hongkong including the Island, Kowloon and the New Territories during the week ending at 8 a.m. on Saturday, there were altogether 91 traffic accidents, as the result of which 2 persons were killed and 44 persons were injured.

Of the persons killed, one Chinese male child, aged 3, was knocked down and killed by a motor lorry, and the other, a Chinese female, aged 65, by a private car. They were both crossing the road, the former walking, and the latter running.

Of persons injured, 23 were pedestrians, who were either walking or running across the road, and were struck by vehicles.

A ricksha passenger and a tram passenger were injured as the result of collision between vehicles.

Two pedestrians were injured as the result of a collision between a lorry and an island.

A private car driver was injured as the result of his car running off the roadway.

Three ricksha passengers (one Chinese female and two children) were injured when their ricksha overturned.

Two bus passengers were injured while attempting to board moving buses.

Four tram passengers and two bus passengers were injured while alighting from moving tramcars and moving buses respectively.

Of the 91 accidents, 29 were collisions between vehicles and pedestrians; 20 accidents were due to other causes.

CHIANG'S SPEECH OF HISTORIC VALUE

A speech of great historic value is the comment made by the "Ta Kung Pao" on Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek's declaration refuting all Japan's pronouncements regarding her policy towards China, especially Prince Konoye's statement of December 22.

The paper adds that the speech further throws light on the fact that China is fighting for justice and national existence and that Japan is pursuing her aggressive policy which no rhetoric statements can cover up.

The "Sing Tao Jih Pao" opines that the speech dispels current rumours of peace overtures and further strengthens the will of the nation to continue resistance.

ICE COMPANY MEETING

Political Situation Cause Sales To Drop

The existing political situation was held to be responsible for the drop in local ice sales by the Chairman of Directors of the Hongkong and Canton Ice Manufacturing Co. Ltd., at the annual general meeting yesterday.

There were present Mr. T. E. Pearce (Chairman), Mr. Ho Kom-tong (Directors), Mr. J. D. Thomson (Manager), Mr. G. Milne (Secretary), G. W. Sewell and Mrs. Booten (Shareholders).

The Chairman said: The profit on Working Account for the year under review, amounts to only \$690.02, the lowest since 1928. When addressing you last year I mentioned that there had been a falling off in ice sales since the closing of the books at July 31, 1937, as a result of the political situation.

You are aware that this unfortunate state of affairs has continued, with the consequence that our business has suffered severely.

Ice sales have dropped from 2,533 tons to 366 tons as compared to the figure for the year ending July 31, 1937, and turnover, inclusive of cold storage revenue, from \$51,951.59 to \$17,663.95.

You will be pleased to know that your buildings and plant are in fact in good condition and, despite numerous alterations to meet interrupted power supply, the latter functions efficiently. Your engineer and his staff have had a trying time and we are indebted to them for their good work and loyalty under difficult conditions.

NEW GENERATING ENGINE

In view of the turn of events and bearing in mind the essentiality of the Company to Shamen residents, your Directors approved the purchase of a 20 h.p. oil engine for the purpose of generating an independent power supply. This unit was installed in July last and accounts for the addition of \$3,955.63 under the heading Machinery & Ice Stores in the Balance Sheet.

NET POSITION SHOWS LOSS

The net position is that a loss of \$16,889.67 has been incurred during the year. After deducting the balance of \$1,329.77 brought forward from last year's Accounts there will be \$15,559.90 at the debit of Profit and Loss Account.

The Chairman proposed, and Mr. Sewell seconded, that the Report and Accounts as presented be approved. This was approved.

On the motion of Mr. Alexander seconded by Mr. Chan, the retiring Directors, the Hon. Mr. S. H. Dodwell and Mr. D. F. Landale, were re-elected.

Mr. Pearce proposed the re-election of Messrs. Percy Smith, Seth and Fleming as auditors. Mr. Ho Kom-tong seconded and the motion was approved.

MARRIAGE AT REGISTRY

Mr. Lam Wing-siu, clerk in the Sanitary Department, and Miss Luk Yin-hing, were married at the Registry, Supreme Court, yesterday. Mr. T. J. Gould, Deputy Registrar, officiated, and the witnesses were Messrs. Luk To-kay and Lam Ming-fan.

ANNOUNCEMENT

The forthcoming marriage is announced between Mr. Tsoung Yau-lou, insurance assistant manager, residing at No. 72 Hill Road, second floor, and Miss Su Wah-yang, of No. 359 Prince Edward Road.

ONE KILLED IN KIENOW FIRE

KIENOW, FUKIEN, Dec. 30. (Central)—A big fire broke out in the business centre here late last night. About 120 houses were gutted and one man was killed.

FOREIGN PAPER BUSINESS

H.K. Dealers Lose \$4,000,000

IMPORTS CHIEFLY FROM GERMANY

In the course of an interview Mr. Wu, the chairman of the Foreign Paper Guild, stated that local paper dealers had a very fine business last spring as many merchants came to Hongkong from Hankow to arrange for orders. At that time the market price of the commodity was fairly low, about £10, and the local market price was raised again by £2.

Accordingly, local dealers sent further orders to Europe. Unfortunately the shipment reached Hongkong when Hsuehchow had fallen, which indirectly spoilt the Hankow market. Following the fall of Canton, the means of re-transportation was thus practically cut off.

At present, there are about thirteen merchants in Hongkong dealing in the import and export of foreign paper.

Selling their commodity, according to the present market price they lose on the average about 30 per cent. The local stocks of foreign paper now may be valued at about \$3,000,000. They are left only with Hongkong and Shanghai for their market.

The losses incurred by the local foreign paper dealers this year therefore, amount to some \$4,000,000. They import chiefly from Germany, Canada and Norway in the order named.

PROSECUTION FOR UNREGISTERED MUI TSAI

Tsui So-fung, 34-year-old married woman, appeared before Mr. R. A. D. Forrest at the Central Court yesterday on charges of failing to report the intended removal of a mui tsai from the Colony and bringing into Hongkong an unregistered mui tsai.

Inspector H. W. Fraser, of the S.C.A., said that Chan Fung, aged 13, was taken out of the Colony in 1930 shortly after registration and was married in Canton in 1934.

On Thursday the defendant came to the S.C.A. and asked for another mui tsai, Kwan Fung-sin, to be registered. It was during inquiries concerning the second girl that the circumstances surrounding the first case were discovered.

A fine of \$20 was imposed on the first charge and on the second count, defendant was cautioned.

POSSESSION OF RAW OPIUM

Sentence of six months' hard labour, without the option of a fine, was imposed on Shiu Shing, unemployed, when he pleaded guilty before Mr. T. J. Houston at the Central Court yesterday to the charge of possession of 80 taels of raw opium on Thursday. Defendant was arrested at the Po Tak Wharf.

CUSTOMS HOUSE TO RESUME

The Customs Revenue Commissioner of the Canton Customs House has ordered the members of the staff who are now taking refuge in Hongkong and Macao, following the fall of Canton, to return to service immediately. The office will be temporarily opened at Shamien. The Commissioner is ready to bear full responsibility concerning their safety.

COLONY HEALTH

Four cases of dysentery, three of measles, two each of diphtheria and chicken-pox and one of cerebro-spinal fever were notified to the local Health Authorities on Thursday.

THEFT OF SETS OF BOXES

Goods Taken Away On Sampan

CHARGES OF LARCENY and fraudulent conversion of 20 sets of camphorwood boxes were preferred on Wong Yat-nam, when he appeared before Mr. R. A. D. Forrest on remand at the Central Court yesterday afternoon.

Mr. M. A. da Silva appeared for the prosecution, while Mr. J. M. D'Almada Remedios was for the defence. Mr. H. A. de B. Speltho held a watching brief on behalf of the purchaser, Mr. Ip Hon-tung.

Pun, Ngor-shun, manager of Central and Company, the complainant, told the Court that the defendant was introduced to him as a buyer of the Kwai Shing Cheung firm. It was stated that he wished to order 20 sets of camphorwood boxes.

On September 8, he went to the defendant's office and there latter made out an order, at the same time introducing a man named Chan Shing as his manager. The boxes were ordered for delivery on September 11.

On that date defendant came to see witness personally and took delivery of the boxes but did not pay cash as agreed upon.

SAMPAN SAILED
The boxes were placed on board a sampan at Gloucester Road ready for transportation. Witness said he objected to the non-payment of \$760 and left an apprentice on the sampan while he went with defendant to get the money.

On reaching the defendant's office, the latter informed him that he could not get any money then but would pay him on the following Saturday.

Defendant went back to the wharf to get back the boxes but found that the sampan had sailed. The defendant then acknowledged receipt of the boxes by putting the chop of his firm on a receipt. After further evidence was given the case was adjourned till the afternoon of January 10.

ALLOWING YOUNG GIRLS TO WORK

JOSS FACTORY FINED

For allowing five girls, aged from six to eight years, to be employed in an industrial undertaking, the management of the Leung Wing Shing joss stick shop, No. 152, Queen's Road West, was fined \$100 by Mr. R. A. D. Forrest at the Central Court yesterday.

Mr. D. W. Phillips, Inspector of Factories, who prosecuted, said that the girls were probably there to help their mothers, who were employees of the firm. Defendants had a large shop in Kowloon and had once been warned for the same offence.

PRISONERS' DEATHS INVESTIGATED

Verdicts of death by natural causes were returned by juries at the Central Court yesterday when the deaths of five prisoners were investigated.

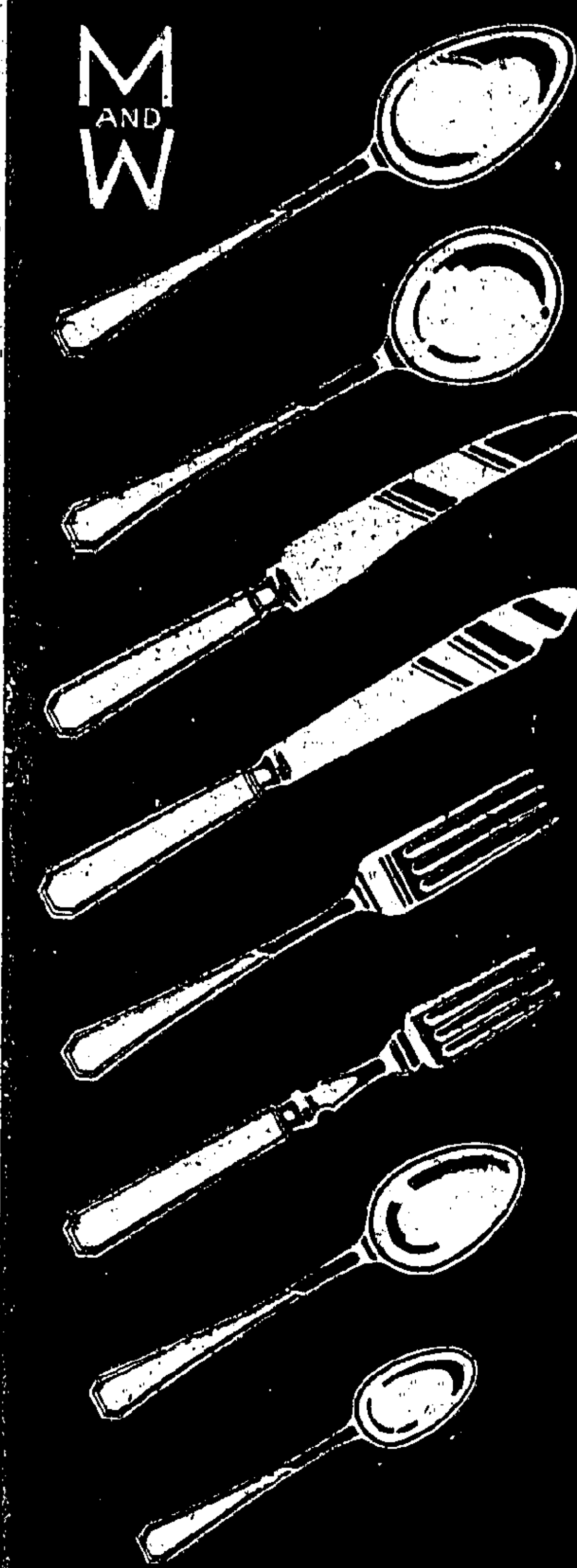
Mr. T. J. Houston sat as Coroner. The deceased prisoners were Chang Kam-yau, who was sentenced on December 19 to four months' hard labour; Au Yiu who was serving 10 months' imprisonment imposed on him on October 31; Tang Kai-nui, who was imprisoned for four months; Lam Hau, sentenced on December 17 for three weeks; and Wong Sze, who was undergoing three months' imprisonment imposed on him on November 3.

WOMEN CAUTIONED

A caution was recorded against Chan Cheung-hing and Pang Lam, married women, by Mr. R. A. D. Forrest at the Central Court yesterday when they pleaded guilty to the charge of bringing an unregistered mui tsai each into the Colony on December 28.

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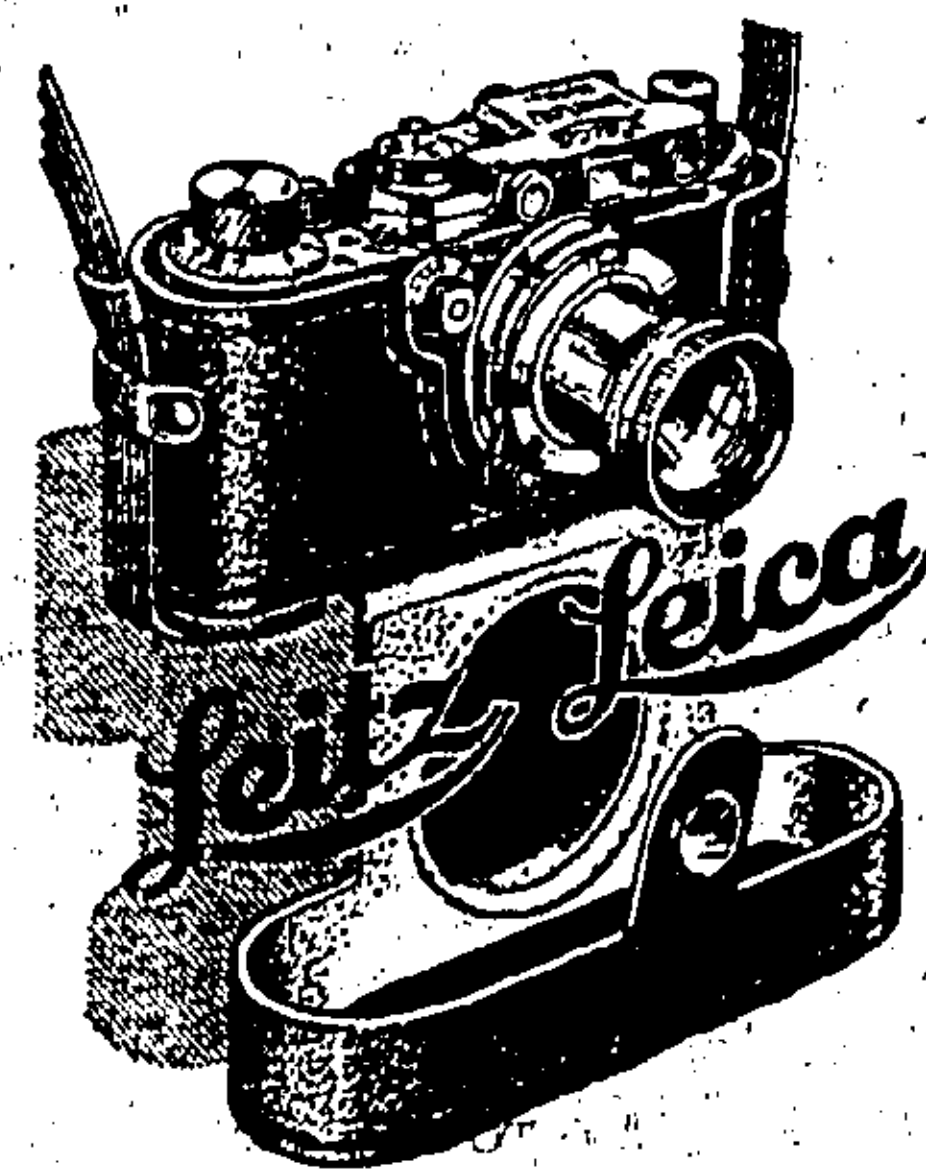
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KOWLOON CANTON RAILWAY LOCAL TIME TABLE

On and After January 1st, 1939, Until Further Notice
(All previous Time Tables Cancelled)

UP TRAINS

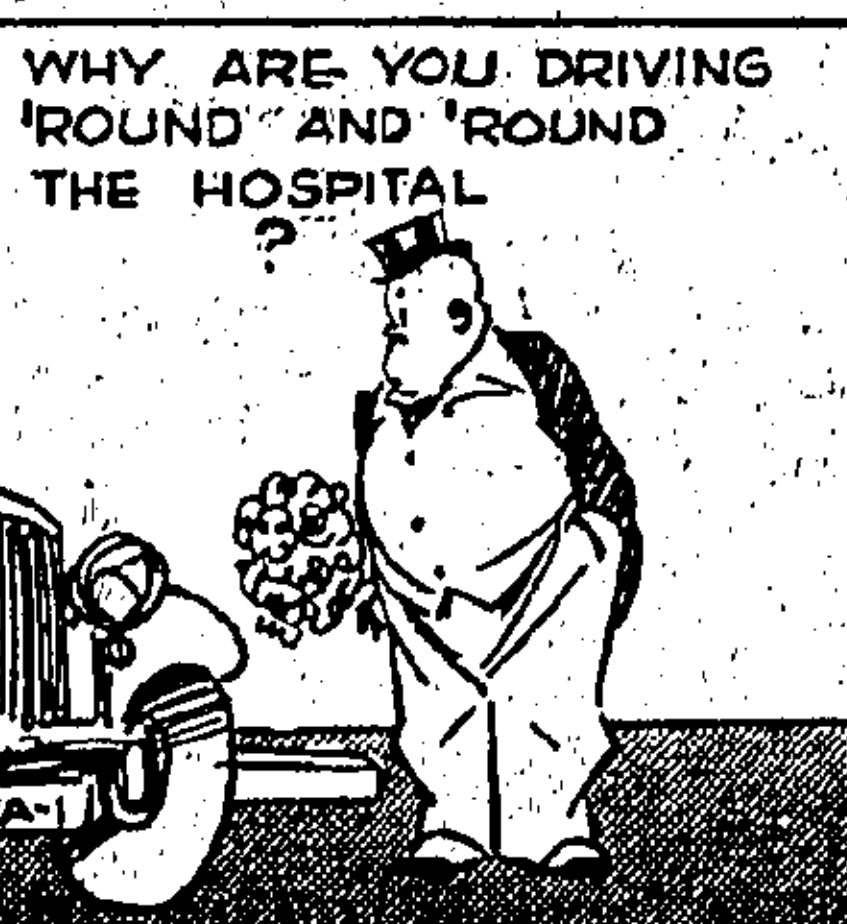
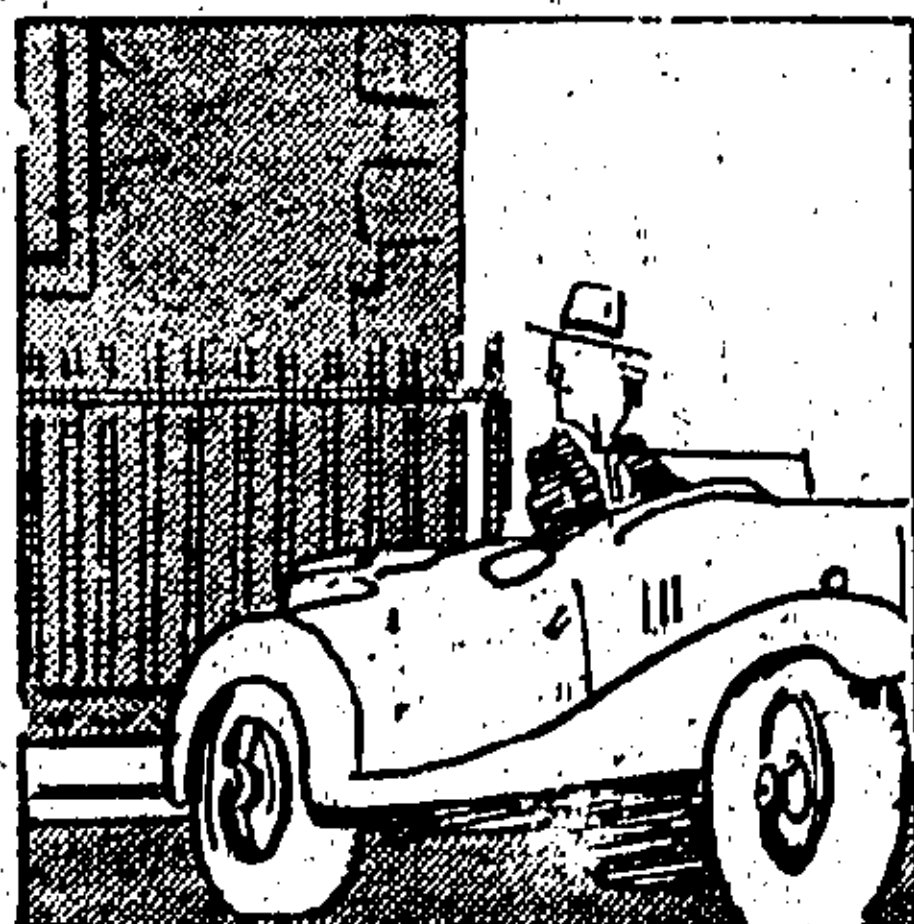
STATIONS	AM	AM	AM	AM	PM	PM	PM	PM
Kowloon	Dep.	6.28	6.32	6.40	6.48	6.56	7.04	7.12
Tsimshui	Dep.	6.34	6.38	6.46	6.54	7.02	7.10	7.18
Shatin	Dep.	6.40	6.44	6.52	7.00	7.08	7.16	7.24
Tai Po	Dep.	6.46	6.50	6.58	7.06	7.14	7.22	7.30
Tai Po Market	Dep.	6.52	6.56	7.04	7.12	7.20	7.28	7.36
Fanning	Dep.	6.58	7.02	7.10	7.18	7.26	7.34	7.42
Shenzhen	Dep.	7.04	7.08	7.16	7.24	7.32	7.40	7.48
Shenzhen	Arr.	7.10	7.14	7.22	7.30	7.38	7.46	7.54

DOWN TRAINS

STATIONS	AM	AM	AM	AM	PM	PM	PM	PM
Shenzhen	Dep.	7.07	7.11	7.19	7.27	7.35	7.43	7.51
Shenzhen	Dep.	7.13	7.17	7.25	7.33	7.41	7.49	7.57
Fanning	Dep.	7.19	7.23	7.31	7.39	7.47	7.55	8.03
Tai Po Market	Dep.	7.25	7.29	7.37	7.45	7.53	8.01	8.09
Tai Po	Dep.	7.31	7.35	7.43	7.51	7.59	8.07	8.15
Shatin	Dep.	7.37	7.41	7.49	7.57	8.05	8.13	8.21
Yau Ma Tei	Dep.	7.43	7.47	7.55	8.03	8.11	8.19	8.27
Kowloon	Arr.	7.49	7.53	8.01	8.09	8.17	8.25	8.33

T—Will run on Tuesdays, Sundays, and Holidays; First class passengers only.
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Further information may be obtained at the Railway Office, Kowloon, from Messrs. The
Clyde & Son, Ltd., Hong Kong; The American Express Company, Hong Kong; The China Travel
Service, 6, Queen's Road, Hong Kong; Messrs. Wing On Co., Ltd., The China Express, Ltd.,
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NEW ADVERTISEMENTS

NOTICE

It is hereby notified that the following licences and permits are due for renewal on the 1st January, 1939:—

- (1) Private Rickshaw and Driver Licences.
- (2) Private Chair and Driver Licences.
- (3) Tricycle and Driver Licences.
- (4) Public Motor Vehicle Licences.
- (5) Motor Vehicle Permits.

Before relicensing tricycles must be taken for inspection to No. 2, Police Station, Wanchai, or Tsim Sha Tsui Police Station, Kowloon, between the hours of 10 a.m. and 12 noon between January 3rd and January 24th, 1939.

(Sd.) T. H. KING,
Commissioner of Police.

31st December, 1938.
Hong Kong.

NOTICE

ARMS LICENCES.

Holders of Arms Licences are reminded that Arms Licences are due for renewal on 1st January, 1939 (Fee \$10.00 per licence). Licensees should call at the Accounts Office, Police Headquarters between the hours of 9 a.m. and 1 p.m. daily (Sundays and Public Holidays excepted), with their licences.

T. H. KING,
Commissioner of Police.

31.12.38.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF HONG KONG.

PROBATE JURISDICTION.

IN THE ESTATE of HUGH FLETCHER CARMICHAEL, late of "Ardshiel," Broadwater, Worthing in the County of Sussex, England, deceased.

NOTICE is hereby given that the Court has by virtue of Section 58 of the Probate Ordinance 1897, made an Order limiting the time for creditors and others to send in their claims against the above estate to the 29th day of January, 1939.

All Creditors and others are accordingly hereby required to send their claims to the undersigned on or before that date.

Dated the 30th day of December, 1938.

WILKINSON & GRIST,
Solicitors for the Executrix,
No. 2, Queen's Road Central,
Hong Kong.

NOTICE

The undersigned, Lee Cheung Loong, teak wood shop, No. 42, Belchers Street, West Point, begs to announce that the share presently held by Fung Chi Yee Tong will be bought over by, and transferred into the name of, Lee Cheung Loong on 3rd Jan., 1939, after which date the connection between Fung Chi Yee Tong and Lee Cheung Loong will be entirely severed.

LEE CHEUNG LOONG.

ADVERTISEMENTS.

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Certificate 6/NS.4430 dated Hongkong, 18th January, 1936 for Sixty shares of this Bank numbered 95407/95466 inclusive registered in the name of Mr. Vivian Geoffrey Smyth has been Lost or Stolen and should this certificate not be produced to the Bank before the 14th January, 1939, a new certificate for the shares will be issued, and the aforesaid Certificate No. 6/NS.4430 will be thereafter treated by this Corporation as Null and Void.

By Order of the Court of Directors,

V. M. GRAYBURN,
Chief Manager.

ST. STEPHEN'S COLLEGE, STANLEY.

The New Term for the Middle School and the Preparatory School begins Jan. 3rd. Entrance Examination on Jan. 2nd at 9 a.m. For Prospectus apply to: Fung Man Sui, Esq., or Chan Lim Pak, Esq., Messrs. H. Wicking, Prince's Building, (Tel. 30241), or to the College.

LOST

BETWEEN Peninsula Hotel, Middle Road, and Star Ferry, on Friday, 23rd midday. Lady's striped silk sash with bow attached. Reward if returned. Write Box No. 2071 c/o "Hongkong Daily Press."

PRESIDENT NOT TO CUT DOWN CHERRY TREES

Washington Comedy

President Roosevelt intervened recently just in time to prevent a legend arising that he, like George Washington, was a destroyer of cherry trees.

A newspaper campaign has been raging in Washington for some time to prevent the building of a memorial to Thomas Jefferson, third President of the United States and founder of the Democratic party, on the grounds that it involved the destruction of many hundreds of Japanese cherry trees, a gift from the city of Tokyo some 20 years ago.

Mr. Roosevelt insisted that he liked trees as much as the next man, but he also approved of Jefferson's memory being honoured. The newspaper campaign he described bluntly as "the biggest piece of flam-flam" he had witnessed for a long time.

REPLACED ELSEWHERE

The number of trees which would have to be moved was precisely 88, he said, and they would all be replaced elsewhere. He favoured the addition of 1,200 cherry trees near the area where the original trees were planted. Some 50 trees died each year and were replaced in any case.

Mr. Roosevelt added, half laughing, a warning that if any of the women who had formed themselves into a Cherry Tree Defence Corps had threatened, by chaining themselves to the trees, then the trees and the women would be removed together and work on the Jefferson memorial would continue.

With a view to improving the intelligence service in Szechuen province, the Ministry of Communications and the Air Defence Headquarters of Szechuen are proposing to install a network of telephones throughout the various villages and towns at a cost of \$1,500,000.

Mr. Yen Yu-tung, dean of the Szechuen Air Force Academy, has been appointed Deputy Commander of the Szechuen Air Defence Headquarters. He assumed his new duties on November 28.

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LOOKING BACK

THE YEAR 1938 has but a few hours before Father Time heralds the birth of the year one thousand nine hundred and thirty-nine and between now and midnight we survey the dying year in retrospect and bring to mind events that have made history. Taken on the whole, 1938 has been a dismal year and it is an unhappy thought, but nevertheless true, that we enter upon a new year with the peace of Europe still in the balance, the civil war in Spain still raging, the Sino-Japanese hostilities heading for a seemingly endless conflict, unrest in Palestine and tension between Japan and Soviet Russia.

BUT THE YEAR which to-morrow will be no more has not been without its outstanding events.

The hostilities between China and Japan, which broke out on July 7, 1937, have developed into a major event in the history of the world. Though Canton and Hankow have fallen during the year, Chinese resistance is as strong as ever and is being pursued daily with renewed vigour. Rumours of mediation have been categorically denied by the Chinese, and, following the statement of the Japanese Prime Minister, Prince Komei, on December 22, in which he outlined Japan's policy, China's resistance is even more determined than ever as China will never be subjugated by Japan. Following Japanese occupation of Canton, the war was brought to the doorsteps of Hongkong and with it the grim realization of the suffering and poverty caused among thousands of refugees who are now given shelter under British protection. The charitable organizations in Hongkong are doing a great work.

AFTER AUSTRIA was proclaimed part of the German Reich on March 12, Czechoslovakia became the storm-centre of Europe in 1938 and in this European situation which in September became as critical as in the fateful days of August, 1914, one recalls with admiration and thankfulness the swift resolve of the British Prime Minister, Mr. Neville Chamberlain, who undertook the role of flying ambassador of peace to meet Hitler face to face and bring about a four-power settlement at Munich that saved the world from disaster. It was on September 23 that the leaders of the four great Powers—Britain, France, Italy and Germany—met in Munich, a truly red letter day in modern history.

TURNING TO SPAIN, the year ends with Gen. Franco launching another big offensive. All through the year the conflict in Spain has wavered between the Government and the insurgents with little advantage to either side. There was one more suggestion of mediation when Italy withdrew 10,000 volunteers in October. The Non-Intervention Committee is continuing its efforts to prevent extension of the war but has met with perhaps only a small degree of success.

THE UNREST in Palestine during the year has engaged the attention of the British Government and in October many more British troops were despatched to deal with the situation. The rejection by the British Government of partition as a solution for the Palestine problem was announced on November 9, 1938, in a statement published in a White Paper with the report by the Palestine Partition Commission. Partition, it was declared, was found to be not practicable. A round-table conference has been suggested to meet in London early in the New Year.

THE FISHERIES DISPUTE between Soviet Russia and Japan is causing tension and negotiations between the two countries thus far have reached a deadlock. PUT THERE IS ALWAYS the brighter side to every picture and in this connexion one notes with much satisfaction the signing of the Trade Pact between Great Britain and the United States in Washington on November 17, 1938. It is an achievement which opens up the path to world-wide benefits, and has great potentialities for world peace and prosperity.

PEACE IS THE HOPE of the whole world and may 1939 bring with it new ideals, new hopes and new re-

CORRESPONDENCE

New Italian Radio Transmission

(To the Editor, "The Hongkong Daily Press")

Dear Sir,—I shall feel much obliged if you will kindly bring to the notice of your readers the following information:

"Beginning from the 1st of January, 1939, the programme for the Far East which are now transmitted daily from 11 a.m. to 1.30 p.m. (Italian time) by the Station 2 RO on a wavelength of 25.40 m. will also be transmitted daily at the same time by the new Imperial Radio centre on a wavelength of 18.83 m. (17,820 kc/s.).

The programme, for the Middle and Near East which are transmitted daily by station 2 RO on the same wavelength from 4 p.m. to 5.15 p.m. (Italian time) will also be transmitted at the same time by the Imperial Radio Centre on a wavelength of 19.61 m. (15,300 kc/s.).

The Italian Consulate General will be pleased to receive information and suggestions on the reception of this new transmission. Thanking you in advance, I remain,

Yours faithfully,

G. PAGANO DI MELITO
R. Italian Consul General

APPEAL FOR WOOL AND NEEDLES

The Emergency Refugee Council has arranged to give instruction in knitting to groups of women in each of the Government Camps, says "Central News."

The Council would be very grateful for gifts of wool and needles. Even the smallest ball of wool left over in the family basket, and particularly that suitable for babies, is acceptable.

Gifts are to be sent to: c/o The Clerk, St. John's Cathedral Hall, Hongkong; c/o Y. M. C. A., Salisbury Road, Kowloon; or c/o The French Convent, Causeway Bay, Hongkong.

NEW YEAR'S EVE AT GLOUCESTER

The New Year's Eve dance at the Gloucester Hotel to-night promises to be an even more successful affair than the Christmas Eve function.

Reservations already received indicate a capacity crowd and it is learned that Queenie and David and their Hawaiian entertainers, together with Lanchow and Corry, have surprises in store for revellers.

"See the New Year in at the Gloucester" appears to be the watchword of local holiday makers.

AIR MAILS

The Air France plane left Kai Tak this morning for Hanoi.

A plane of Imperial Airways which was due this afternoon will arrive at Kai Tak at 5 p.m. on Sunday. The return service south departs on Tuesday morning with mail and passengers.

The Pan American Airways' China Clipper will arrive in Hongkong on Sunday at noon. The return service leaves at approximately 8.30 a.m. on Monday.

MAJESTIC THEATRE SHOWINGS

The times for the daily showings at the Majestic Theatre for to-day, Sunday and Monday are as follows:—2.30 p.m., 5 p.m., 7.20 p.m. and 9.40 p.m.

SENT TO SESSIONS

Tang Kwong-king, 34, Ng Hin, 30, and Chan Chau, 55, appeared before Mr. E. H. H. Smith at the Kowloon Court yesterday when, at the conclusion of proceedings on a charge of receiving 330 ducks, all three were committed to the next Criminal Sessions. The ducks were the property of a dealer, named Lei Yung.

COMPLAINANT ABSENT; SUMMONS DISMISSED

The summons against Lieut. E. D. Carbett, of Whitfield Barracks, for speeding in Queen's Road on December 20, was dismissed by Mr. R. A. D. Forrest at the Central Court yesterday owing to the absence of the complainant.

solutions in pursuit of that lasting peace which surely must be foremost in the hearts and minds of every individual living on the face of this earth. Let us enter upon the New Year with renewed determination and vigour to face the realities of life and to be at peace with our neighbours and with one another.

Obituary In The Year 1938

ROYALTY

H.R.H. Prince Arthur of Connaught; Grand Duke Cyril of Russia; Prince Franz I of Liechtenstein; Queen Maud of Norway; Prince Nicholas of Greece (father of the Duchess of Kent); Queen Marie of Roumania; Prince of Piess.

PERSONAGES

Lord Ashburton; M. Alexander Averscru;

Sir Charles Batho, Bart; Lillian Baylis, C.H.; Admiral Sir Lewis Bayly; Mr. R.W. Bingham (U.S. Ambassador in London); Sir Jagadis Bose; Sir Harcourt Butler; Feodor Chalapin; Sir Cyril Cobb, M.P.; Sir James Crichton-Browne; Sir Thomas Callender; Gabrielle D'Annunzio; Sir Edward Benjamin; Duke of Devonshire; Sir Lewis Diddin;

M. de Fleuriat; Sir Johnston Forbes-Robertson;

Lord Gilsborough; Sir Hyde Gowan; F.L. Gills, R.A.; Lord Hawke (President of the M.C.C.); Lord Harlech;

Capt. Adrian Jones;

F.B. Kellogg; Lord Kensington;

Sir Stephen Killick (ex-Lord Mayor of London); Sir Truby King;

Anton Lang; P. de Laszlo;

Suzanne Lenglen; F.V. Lucas;

Rt. Hon. J. Ramsay MacDonald, M.P.; Aymer Maude; Marquis of Milford Haven; Capt. Bertram Mills;

Sir Henry Newbolt;

Maharajah of Patiala; Sultan of Perak; Lord and Lady Plunket;

Maurice Ravel; Sir Landon Ronald;

Eugenie Scamann; Lt.-Col. Sir Reginald Seymour; Rt. Hon. Thomas Shaw; Sir John Snell;

D.G. Somerville, M.P.; Lord Stanley (Secretary of State for Dominions); Countess of Strathmore (mother of Queen Elizabeth);

Conway Teale; Sir Richard Terry;

Dr. W. W. Vaughan; M. Emile Vandervelde;

Lord Warrington;

Filson Young.

CHURCH

Archbishop of Armagh; Rev. C.W. Gordon; Bishop of Jarrow; Canon "Dick" Sheppard; Bishop Taylor Smith; Bishop of Wakefield; Rev. Dr. Dinsdale T. Young.

VOLUNTEER ORDERS

(Orders by Lt.-Col. H. B. Rose, M.C. Commandant, Hongkong Volunteer (D.C.).

PROMOTION

Extract from "Government Gazette" No. 60 dated 2.12.38.

"No. 997—His Excellency the Governor has been pleased to approve the following promotion in the Hongkong Volunteer Defence Corps, with effect from December 1, 1938.—Captain Lindsay Tasman Ride, M.A., M.B., M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P., to be Major, December 22, 1938."

COMMAND

Captain F. Flippance took over permanent command of the Army Service Corps Company with effect from December 23, 1938.

HOLIDAY

Corps Headquarters will be closed on Monday, January 2, 1939. CORPS DIARY—AMENDMENTS

Page 11.—February 5 add "Kennedy Road Range, M.G. Pt. 1—No. 4 M.G. Company.
Page 11.—February 26 add "Peak Range—Table A—No. 4 M.G. Coy."
Page 12.—March 5 add "Peak Range—Table A—No. 4 M.G. Coy."
Page 12.—March 19 add "Peak Range—Table A—No. 4 M.G. Coy."

PARADES

1st Battery Right Section.—Thursday, Jan. 12, Belchers.

Left Section.—Friday, Jan. 6, Belchers, 5.45 p.m. Dress-Overalls.

S.D. cap, gun, platform shoes.

Signal Section.—Friday, Jan. 6, H.Q. 5.30 p.m.

Armoured Car Section

Friday, January 6, H.Q. 5.30 p.m. Driving instruction and crew drill.

Motor Machine Gun Platoon

Friday, January 6, 5.30 p.m. Revolver Drill.

No. 7 M.G. Company

Monday, January 9, H.Q. 5.30 p.m. See Company circular.

No. 4 M.G. Company

Sunday, January 8, Stonecutters, M.C. Part II. No. 13 Platoon.

Launch leaves Queen's Pier at 8.30 a.m. and Kowloon Police Pier at 8.45 a.m. Dress: Optional.

R.O.D.C.—Construction Section

Thursday, January 5, H.Q. 5.30 p.m. Practical work on testing electrical circuits.

S. F. HEDGECOCK, Major, Adjutant, H.K.V.D.C.

AFFILIATED UNIT

Nursing Detachment, H.K.V.D.C. The next lecture on First Aid will

WORK FOR REFUGEES IN CANTON

Financial Side Of Situation

The work of the Canton Refugee Areas Committee is contained in an interesting report to hand and below we publish the concluding portion of the report. The members of the committee are Dr. J. M. Henry (chairman), Rev. G. F. Allen (Hon. Secretary and Treasurer), Rev. N. V. Howard, M.C. (Recording Secretary), Bishop Fourquet, Col. Rolfe, Dr. W. W. Cadbury, Dr. A. J. Fisher and Mr. McDonald.

The report states:—

Our plans are to keep on our camps as long as is necessary, but to encourage people to return to their homes as soon as it is possible. We cannot enlarge our camps very much on the available foreign property. We therefore plan to open up further Relief Work Centres wherever it seems most needed.

If the population begins to return, we shall invite the various Churches to open up centres for cheap feeding and for distribution of clothing in the city.

We shall assist in such work through the funds and organization of the Refugee Committee.

If the population mainly stay in the country, then we organizing relief work in the main centres into which they have fled.

Now about the financial side. Before the Government left, they gave our Committee National Currency \$50,000 for refugee work. We used a large part of this to cover our first purchase of rice, and fuel. This sum, which has come from the Chinese side, enabled us to carry through the first emergency work of our refugee camps. It may last for the expense of the camps till the end of the year.

A large fund has been raised in Hongkong. The greater part of this fund has been spent on a relief ship which came through with supplies last month. It has been immensely difficult to buy things locally, and still more difficult to transport them if we can find them.

We therefore appealed to Hongkong to get a ship through with the supplies of which we were most in need; and we are deeply grateful for the aid they gave. The Japanese have allowed this ship to come through with very little difficulty. There are, however, no signs yet when they will open the River for general transport.

We now look to the remaining winter months; and we feel we have an immensely strong claim for help from foreign sources. We have carried through for the first six weeks of the crisis with our funds from local sources. These may last for another few weeks. After that, there will be the immense population of the City destitute for the rest of the winter, either in the City or in the delta area.

All the main stores and the business and shopping area in the town are burnt up. There can be no hope of much further support from the Chinese side here. We must look to aid from abroad for further help with the destitution which the invasion has caused. We have received a grant of U.S.\$25,000 from America, and we are asking the Lord Mayor's Fund to give us their assistance.

Until this autumn, we felt in Canton that despite our constant raids, the suffering here was small compared with the war of U.S.\$25,000 from America, and we are asking the Lord Mayor's Fund, and these had been used for relief work after the air raids and for helping in the equipment of hospitals. Now we have become one of the main areas where help is needed.

There will be very serious distress for many months, before there can come any revival of trade, and of general prosperity. We shall need all we have received and a very great deal more. If we are to help the people in town and country to return again to the place where they can earn their own livelihood and rebuild their homes.

be given by Professor L. T. Ride at the P.W.D. Offices on Friday, Jan. 6, 1939 at 5.30 p.m.

(Sgd.) MRS. E. M. BEGG, Commandant, Nursing Detachment, H.K.V.D.C.

Personalities In The News In 1938

Earl Beatty, handsome son of the late Earl Beatty, had an almost miraculous recovery after a horse rolled on him.

Evangeline Booth, due to retire from General of the Salvation Army, said: "I'll take another hit-year."

Mr. Winston Churchill felt very badly about it all, and said so. Hitler then felt badly about Churchill, and said so.

Flying Officer Clouston and Victor Ricketts flew from England to New Zealand and back in less than 11 days. It was the first direct trip to New Zealand and back.

Mr. W. Duff-Cooper, First Lord of the Admiralty, resigned. Capt. G.E.T. Eyston drove at 357 miles per hour in his car.

Mr. Anthony Eden, Foreign Secretary, resigned in February. Visited the United States in December.

Miss Gracie Fields sang her way to a C.B.E. But Miss Fields was a companion of the British Empire long before that.

Viscount Gort, V.C., M.C., D.S.O., became Chief of the Imperial General Staff.

Lord Halifax, took Mr. Eden's mantle at the Foreign Office. Lord Hawke, President of the M.C.C., and ruler of Yorkshire cricket for half a century, died.

Walter R. Hammond proved an able English skipper in the "honours even" Test rubber with Australia. He is at present captain of the M.C.C. team touring South Africa.

Captain R.B. Irving won back the Blue Riband for the Queen Mary.

Augustus John, R.A., rocked the art world, resigning from the Royal Academy, because they would not take a friend's picture.

Mr. Geoffrey Lloyd, Under-Secretary for Home Affairs, became A.R.P. chief.

Bertram Mills died, but not before he had restored the circus to its place in English life.

Miss Isabel MacDonald married a village painter.

Lord Nuffield became a Viscount, and nearly a kidnapper's dream. He also gave plenty more money away.

Mr. F.W. Ogilvie took over the plum job at the B.B.C. in place of Sir John Reith who became Chairman of Imperial Airways. Lord Runciman had the year's most difficult job, and the most thankless, in Czechoslovakia. Sir Henry Wood, Promenade Concert boss, celebrated his jubilee as a conductor.

Frank E. Woolley, Kent and England cricketer retired, and is now coach at Eton.

Mr. E. Cock, chief manager of the Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Co., Ltd., together with Mrs. Cock, returned to the Colony yesterday by the Empress of Japan.

A New Year's Eve party will be held at the United Services Recreation Club to-night.

Commander C. D. Leffler, Jr., U.S.N., arrived from Shanghai in the Empress of Japan yesterday morning. He will reside with his family in the Peninsula Hotel and return to duty next week.

Mr. J. Weston, son of Captain W. C. Weston, in the Marine Department, arrived from Australia via the Imperial Airways plane yesterday morning.

In the beginning of February members of the Amateur Dramatic Club will present a mystery play entitled "I Killed the Count," in the China Fleet Club Theatre. Mr. J. Robertson, the director, has commenced rehearsing for the performance.

Mr. F. N. Matthews, of Messrs. Lowe, Bingham & Matthews, chartered accountants of Shanghai, and Mrs. Matthews arrived here yesterday in the Empress of Japan.

Dr. George Sellett, one of Shanghai's leading American lawyers, who was formerly U.S. District Attorney for China, arrived in Hongkong yesterday in the Empress of Japan.

Captain A. J. Holland, Marine Superintendent of the Canadian Pacific Steamship Company arrived yesterday in the Empress of Japan from Vancouver accompanied by Mrs. Holland.

Mr. A. J. Rinke, of the Goodyear Rubber Co., accompanied by Mrs. Rinke, arrived in the Empress of Japan yesterday. They are en route to the Dutch East Indies.

FRANCE ADAMANT REGARDING ITALIAN DEMANDS

BRITAIN'S INTEREST IN QUESTION

LONDON, December 30 (Reuter).—M. Cambon, the French Charge d'Affaires, paid his usual daily visit to the Foreign Office today, exchanging views with British officials, says Reuter's diplomatic correspondent. It is understood that he repeated France's contention that Italy's present demands are such that they must be solved by France herself.

GERMAN HYMN TOO FAST, SAYS HITLER

BERLIN, Dec. 30 (Reuter).—A complaint by Chancellor Hitler that the German national anthem, "Deutschland Uber Alles," is being played too fast, resulting in the "massacre" of the hymn, is quoted by the newspaper "National Zeitung," which announces a decree by Herr Himmler, head of the Secret Police, that henceforth the anthem must be played "in a tempo worthy of the hymn."

ROSY FUTURE IN HANKOW IS PROMISED

For Germans And Italians!

LONDON, Dec. 30 (Reuter).—The "Manchester Guardian's" Berlin correspondent says that a rosy future is promised by the special correspondent of the official "Volkischer Beobachter" in Hankow to Italian and German merchants whose trade in China is being ruined by the Japanese invasion.

The "Beobachter" says that when Japan finally beats China to her knees, Italy and Germany then can take the place of Britain, France and the United States and urge Germans in Far Eastern trade, who are now complaining, to keep their feet on the ground and contribute to the reconstruction of China by maintaining a neutral attitude.

"When the cannon is silent the first steamer travelling up the Yangtze will fly the Swastika," the "Manchester Guardian" comments sarcastically that this argument seems to depend on two doubtful propositions, the first, that Japan will win; and second, that she can be trusted.

DOCTOR'S SHIPBOARD ROMANCE

Dr. Allison Gourdin and Mrs. Gourdin (nee Rose Bogdanoff) returned to the Colony yesterday on board the Empress of Japan. Their marriage in Shanghai last week was the culmination of a romantic shipboard acquaintance which began when the Empress left Canada for the Far East.

Chinese Break Through Lines: Japanese Will Abandon Tseng Shing

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT)

CHUNGSHAN, Dec. 30.—Chinese forces broke through the Japanese lines at Tseng Shing, north of the East River, last night and renewed the attack on the town this morning. It is expected that the Japanese will abandon Tseng Shing.

Other Chinese units are closing in on Shekiang, on the Canton-Kowloon Railway, by advancing from Namshak. The Japanese forces are likely to fall back to Tungkwon, near Boca Tigra.

U.S. TO FIGHT SPIES

WASHINGTON, Dec. 30 (Reuter).—The Treasury Department announces that the Commissioner for Internal Revenue has ordered the thousands of the Treasury's investigators in the departments of the various law enforcement agencies to keep a sharp watch on espionage activities.

This is in accordance with President Roosevelt's recent request for strengthening of America's anti-spy defences.

BRITAIN PROTESTS TO FRANCO

LONDON, Dec. 30 (Trans-Ocean).—The British Government has lodged a protest with the Franco Government against the detachment of the Greek steamer, Atlas, at Palma de Majorca. Although the ship is not British, a part of the cargo, worth £10,000, is British owned and a large part of the cargo insured in England.

RUMANIA WILL WORK FOR WORLD PEACE

BUCHAREST, Dec. 30 (Reuter).—Rumania's determination to work for world peace was expressed by M. Gafencu, Foreign Minister, in a broadcast when he outlined Rumania's policy towards neighbouring states. Speaking on the minorities question, M. Gafencu declared that Rumania would demand that colonial empires should facilitate a peaceful and lasting solution to the Jewish problem and make emigration easier by passing international measures.

LATE FINANCE

BOMBAY SILVER
Bombay, Dec. 30.
Unofficial Quotations
Indian Mint Silver
Ready 51-04
January 16 Settlement 51-03
February 14 Settlement 51-01
Market—Quiet. —Reuter.

Open Market—Selling Rates
Sterling
Shanghai, Dec. 30.
Opening 0/8-7/16
Closing 0/8-13/32
Spot 0/8-7/16
December 0/8-13/32
January 0/8-13/32
February 0/8-23/64
U.S. Dollars
Spot \$16-3/8
December \$16-3/8
January \$16-9/32
February \$16-5/32
Market—Uncertain. —Reuter.

Market Report
From Roza Bros.
The price for Ready Silver dropped 1/16 yesterday to 19 15/16 but the Forward rate rose 1/8 to 19 5/8. Silver advances reported the market as being steady. Speculators bought. The market closed firm with buyers at the quoted rate but sellers were scarce. American Silver was quoted at 42 3/4 for Spot.
The London/New York cross-rate was quoted at 485.93. New York/London was quoted at 485 3/4.

Market
Steady but quiet.
Sterling
There were sellers at 1/3 December /first half February, 1/2 31/32 March /April and 1/2 15/16 May /July, buyers at 1/3 1/32 Cash /February, 1/3 first half of March /April and 1/2 31/32 May /July.
U.S. Dollars
There were sellers at 28 1/3 Cash January, 29 1/16 February and 29 March, buyers at 29 1/4 for cash, 29 3/16 January, 29 1/8 February and 29 1/16 March.

Shanghai Dollars
Opened with sellers at 179 and closed at lunch time, with sellers at 177.
Shanghai Market
Opened with sellers at 8 7/16 and closed on sellers at 8 3/8 for Spot. U. certain. U.S. Dollars opened with sellers at 16 3/8 and later the rate was quoted at 16 1/4 for Spot.
AFTERNOON MARKET
Quiet.

Sterling
There were sellers at 1/3 December /first half February, 1/2 31/32 March /April and 1/2 15/16 May /July, buyers at 1/3 1/32 Cash /February, 1/3 first half of March /April and 1/2 31/32 May /July.
U.S. Dollars
The market closed with sellers at 29 1/8 December /January, 29 1/16 February and 29 March, buyers at 29 1/4 Cash, 29 3/16 January, 29 1/8 February and 29 1/16 March.
Shanghai Dollars
178.
Shanghai Market
Steady with sellers at 8 13/32 December.

Wang Explains Flight From Chungking

CHINA'S ADHERENCE TO ANTI-COMINTERN PACT, DEMAND

A statement was issued last night by Mr. Wang Ching-wei who is at present at a place undisclosed after his flight from Chungking. Mr. Wang Ching-wei quotes a passage from the Manifesto of the Emergency Congress of the Kuomintang last April which sets out that the Tangku Truce, entered into in 1934, sought to avoid military action in order to secure the Northern provinces and bring about a reasonable solution of the question of the four Eastern provinces. It is Mr. Wang Ching-wei's belief that now is the proper time to attempt to achieve these two points.

He states: "In a statement issued on December 22, the Government of Japan expounded its fundamental policy concerning the readjustment of Sino-Japanese relations. The first point emphasized is the principle of good neighbourliness and amiability."

KONOYE'S DEMAND
Mr. Wang then cites one of the demands recently formulated by Prince Konoze and states "that in order to secure the complete independence of China Japan will also follow a precedent of the Meiji Reform, namely, that in exchange for the freedom accorded to the Japanese to live and pursue business in China, Japan will, as a quid pro quo, return to China the conditions and will consent to the abolition of extraterritoriality in China."

"Since the Japanese Government has solemnly issued such a declaration, it is possible, through peaceful means not only to assure the security of the Northern provinces but also to recover the territory lost in the course of the present war and to preserve national sovereignty and administrative independence and integrity."

Mr. Wang next goes on to emphasize the necessity for China to adhere to the Anti-Comintern Pact which should be concluded in the same spirit as that between Japan, Germany and Italy. According to Mr. Wang "the aim of the Anti-Comintern Pact is to check the subversive international conspiracy of the Communists and for this reason the Pact should not affect our relations with Soviet Russia."

Further, in his statement Mr. Wang would agree, as well, to one of the specified areas in which Japanese troops should be stationed in concurrence with the duration of the Anti-Comintern agreement. "This affects China's sovereignty and administrative independence and integrity and only by this restriction will China be able to carry out the work of post war rehabilitation and the reconstruction of a modern state."

In the reconstruction of post war China Mr. Wang feels that economic co-operation between China and Japan will be made a reality since Japan does not aim at exercising monopolistic control over China.

Mr. Wang further deals with the question of education for China which should be "compatible with the principle of good neighbourliness."

RECORD SKI JUMP

LONDON, Dec. 30 (Reuter).—At Eidsvoll, Norway, Sverre Holterud, the Norwegian Olympic medalist, established a world indoor ski jump record of 221 metres.

H. K. STOCK EXCHANGE
Friday, Dec. 30.
The volume of trading for the day was not quite on the same generous scale as yesterday. The market found Sellers more accommodating, arresting for the time being any spectacular rises. H.K. Banks further appreciated to business done at \$1,440 at which level Sellers predominate.
BUSINESS DONE DURING THE WEEK
Hongkong Bank, \$1,380, \$1,380.
\$1,420, \$1,425, \$1,440.
Canton Insurance, \$200.
Hongkong Fire, \$178.
Docks (Old), \$181, \$181.
Docks (New), \$174, \$174.
Providents (Old), \$4.35, \$6.40.
Providents (New), \$4.15.
Hotels, \$6.70, \$6.1, \$6.85.
Realities, \$5, \$5.10.
Tramways, \$17.20, \$17.45.
China Lights, cum, rights, \$9.65.

FANLING RACE MEETING

The following is the programme for the Fanling Hunt and Race Club January Meeting at Kwanti on January 22, 1939:—

Race 1.—2.45 p.m. "The San Wai Steeplechase," 1 1/2 miles. A handicap for China Ponies. Winner: A Cup or \$75, 2nd \$40, 3rd \$25. Entry Fee \$3.

Race 2.—"The New South Wales Handicap," 1 1/2 miles. A steeplechase for Australian ponies. Winner: A Cup or \$75, 2nd \$40, 3rd \$25. Entry Fee \$3.

Race 3.—"The Hunters' Hurdle Race," 1 1/2 miles, for China ponies, bona fide hunters. Winners of a steeplechase and/or hurdle race this and/or last season barred. Catchweight 168 lbs. Winner: A Cup or \$50, 2nd \$25, 3rd \$15. Entry Fee \$3.

If sufficient entries are received, this race will be divided into two sections.

Race 4.—"The Relief Cup," 1 mile. A handicap flat race for China ponies classified on December 31, 1938, as "D" class. Winners since January 1, 1938, of more than \$2,250, and ponies that have started at Kwanti in a steeplechase and/or hurdle race, barred. Winner: A Cup presented, with \$200 added, 2nd \$100, 3rd \$75. Entry Fee \$5.

Race 5.—"The Shatin Handicap," 6 furlongs. A flat race for China ponies classified on December 31, 1938, as "E" class, and 1938 subscription griffins of the Hongkong Jockey Club that have not won more than \$1,000. Winner: \$150, 2nd \$75, 3rd \$50. Entry Fee \$5.

Races Nos. 4 and 5 are open to Members of the Hongkong Jockey Club. Owners entering for this race, and Jockeys who are not Members of the Fanling Hunt and Race Club will have the privileges of the Club for the day.

Race 6.—"The January Consolation Scurry" (Unofficial), 1 mile, for China ponies that have started at this meeting and not been placed 1st or 2nd. Winner of the December Consolation Scurry barred. Catchweight 160 lbs. Winner A Cup or \$75, 2nd \$40, 3rd \$25. Post Entries. Entry Fee \$3.

Entries close to the Secretaries, Messrs. Thomson & Co., Chartered Accountants, Hongkong & Shanghai Bank Building, on Thursday, January 12, 1939, at noon.

BOWLS MATCH

A lawn bowls match between Scottish members and "The Rest" will take place at the Kowloon Bowling Green Club on Monday, commencing at 2.45 p.m.

\$9.60, \$9.50.
China Lights, rights, \$34, \$3.60, \$3.70.
Electrics, \$57, \$574.
Macao Electrics, \$174.
Cements, \$15.60.
Watsons, \$7.45, \$7.60, \$7.70.

3.15 P.M. CHANGES (CLOSING QUOTATIONS)
Buyers
Providents (Old), \$6.35.
Watsons, \$7.70.
Sellers
H.K. Banks, \$1,440.
Providents (Old), \$6.40.
Sales
H.K. Banks, \$1,440.
Trams, \$17.45.
Ch. Lights Rtd., \$3.70.
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Japanese Strength Not Sufficient To Renew Offensive On The Hunan And Kiangsi Fronts

CHANGSHA, December 30 (Central).—The Japanese force now on the Hunan and Kiangsi fronts is inadequate to renew the offensive, declared Gen. Hsieh Yo, well-known Cantonese army commander, in an interview with a "Central News" war correspondent at the front yesterday.

After sustaining heavy losses prior to the fall of the Waban cities, the Japanese are replenishing troops and military supplies and strengthening their defences, Gen. Hsieh revealed.

Day and night raids have been staged by the Chinese on the Japanese front lines. The accumulated casualties on the part of the Japanese are heavy.

According to Gen. Hsieh, the morale of the Chinese troops is excellent. He declared that he is ready to lead them to inflict a heavy blow upon the invaders and defend every inch of Chinese territory in the event of a renewed Japanese offensive.

Asked about his opinion regarding China's policy of resistance, Gen. Hsieh urged the 450,000,000 Chinese to follow the bloody trail marked out by the Chinese revolutionary martyrs and exert their combined efforts for the consummation of the supreme task of resistance and reconstruction.

ENGLAND TEAM FOR SECOND TEST MATCH

CAPETOWN, Dec. 30 (Reuter).—England's team for the second Test match against South Africa, which begins tomorrow is as follows:—W. R. Hammond (Cap), Farnes, Valentine, Gibb, Edrich, Goddard, Hutton, Fyfe, Varty, Wright, Ames and Yardley (12th man).

GOLF CORRECTION

T. Low (13) reported as having tied with Col. King and Major McMillan at all square in the Old Course, Bogey (Par) 70, was actually 1 up and wins first prize.

THIRTEENTH EXTRA RACE MEETING



PHOTOGRAPH TAKEN at the Thirteenth Extra Race Meeting held at Happy Valley recently. (Photo by Lagan)

PAGE FOR CHURCHES

ST. JOHN'S CATHEDRAL

(GARDEN ROAD)
January 1, 1939
1st Sunday After Christmas
(New Year's Day).
8 a.m. Holy Communion.
8 a.m. Holy Communion in the Peak Church.
11 a.m. Choral Eucharist.
Preacher: The Bishop.
8.30 p.m. Service of Nine Lessons with Carols.
Children's Services.
Cathedral, 10 a.m. Kindergarten and Children's Service.
Chapel of the Resurrection, Happy Valley, 9.30 a.m. Kindergarten and Sunday School.
Stanley Sunday School, Room, 10 a.m. Kindergarten and Sunday School.

WEEKDAYS
Holy Communion is celebrated on—
Tuesday at 7.30 a.m. (Peak Church).
Thursday and Saturday at 7.30 a.m. (Cathedral).
Friday (Epiphany of our Lord) at 7.45 a.m. (Cathedral).
Thursday, Prayers for the sick, at 10.15 a.m.
Daily 12 noon a Special Service of Prayer: (Broadcast).

OTHER NOTICES
January 2—8 p.m. Badminton, Cathedral Hall.
January 4—10-12.30 p.m. Cathedral Women's Fellowship Working Party, Cathedral Hall.
8 p.m. Badminton League Match, Cathedral Hall.
January 5—3.30 p.m. Cathedral Women's Fellowship Devotional Service: Speaker: The Dean, "The Life of Christ."
5.30 p.m. Cathedral Scouts Meeting, Scouts Headquarters, Lower Albert Road.
January 6—5.30 p.m. Choir Practice, Cathedral.
8 p.m. Badminton League Match, Cathedral Hall.

THE UNIVERSAL WEEK OF PRAYER
Meetings will be held daily in the Cathedral between the hours of 5.30 and 8.30 p.m. commencing from Monday, January 2, to Sunday, January 8.

ENGLISH METHODIST CHURCH

WANCHAI HONGKONG (ENGLISH CIRCUIT)

Queen's Road East, Wanchai, Hongkong (Opposite Royal Naval Hospital).
Services on Sunday January 1, 1939.
Preachers: Morning—Rev. J. E. Sandbach, Evening—Rev. Donald B. Child.

Morning Parade Service at the English Methodist Church at 10.15 a.m. followed by the Annual Covenant Service with Holy Communion.

Hymn No. 559, Prayer, Hymn No. 330, 1st Lesson, Hymn No. 360, 2nd Lesson, Prayer, Notices, Hymn No. 607, Sermon, Hymn No. 831, Benediction.
Evening Service at the English Methodist Church at 7 p.m.
Hymn No. 252, Prayer, Hymn No. 817, Lesson, Prayer, Notices, Hymn No. 915, Sermon, Hymn No. 958, Benediction.

NOTICES FOR THE WEEK
Following the Evening Service, a Social Hour will be held at the S. & S. Home at 8.15 p.m. All Service and civilians are warmly welcomed.
The Badminton Club will meet at the S. & S. Home on Monday and Thursday at 7 p.m.
There will be a meeting for Prayer and Fellowship at the S. & S. Home on Tuesday at 8.30 p.m.
Attention is drawn to the Universal Week of Prayer—Monday, January 2 to Sunday, January 8 inclusive. Meetings will be held daily in St. John's Cathedral from 5.30 to 8.30 p.m.
The Week of Prayer will culminate in a United service of witness on Sunday, January 8 at 8.30 p.m. to be conducted by the Rt. Rev. Bishop Ronald W. Hall.

CHRIST CHURCH
(Waterloo Road)

MATTINS: Rev. D. Rosenthal to Preach
January 1, Sunday after Christmas
7.15 a.m. Holy Communion.
9 a.m. Mattins and Sermon.
Preacher: The Priest-in-Charge.
10.30 a.m. Service in Mandarin and English for visitors from North and Central China.
Sunday at 9 a.m. at 3 Duke St.
Thursday, Jan. 5—Holy Communion at 7.30 a.m.

LESSON SERMON

FIRST CHURCH OF CHRIST, SCIENTIST

Subject—God

The Subject of the Lesson Sermon in all Christian Science Churches, to-morrow January 1 will be "God."

The Golden Text will be:—"Thus saith the Lord the King of Israel, and his redeemer the Lord of hosts; I am the first and I am the last; and beside me there is no God." (Isaiah 44: 6)

Among others the following citations will be read from the Bible:—"Behold, the days come, saith the Lord, that I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel, and with the house of Judah: Not according to the covenant that I made with their fathers in the day that I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt; which my covenant they brake, although I was an husband unto them, saith the Lord: But this shall be the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel: I will put my law in their inward parts, and write it in their hearts; and will be their God, and they shall be my people. And they shall teach no more every man his neighbour, and every man his brother, saying know the Lord: for they shall all know me, from the least of them unto the greatest, saith the Lord." (Jeremiah 31: 31-34)

The following citations will also be read from the Christian Science Textbook, "Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures" by Mary Baker Eddy:—"I, or Ego, Divine Principle: Spirit, Soul incorporeal, unerring, immortal, and eternal Mind."

All the object of God's creation reflect one Mind, and whatever reflects not this one Mind, is false and erroneous, even the belief that life, substance, and intelligence are both mental and material. Life, Truth, and Love constitute the triune Person called God—that is, the triune divine Principle, Love. They represent a trinity in unity, three in one—the same essence, though multiform in office: God the Father-mother; Christ the spiritual idea of sonship; divine Science and the Holy Comforter. These the three express in divine Science the threefold, essential nature of the Infinite. (Pages 588, and 531)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

First Church of Christ, Scientist, Hongkong, a Branch of the Mother Church, The First Church of Christ, Scientist in Boston, Mass., No. 31 Macdonnell Road, close to Peak Tram Station, Sunday Service 11.15 a.m. The Sunday School is held at 10 a.m. Testimony Meeting, Wednesday, 6 p.m. A Reading Room is located in the Church Building and is open on Monday to Friday inclusive from 10.30 a.m. to 12.30 p.m. and from 3 p.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday, 10.30 a.m. to 12.30 p.m. All authorised Christian Science literature is available at the Reading Room. The public is cordially invited to attend the services and to visit the Reading Room.

ROSARY CHURCH

20, CHATHAM ROAD, KOWLOON

The following are the forthcoming services, etc.
Saturday, Dec. 31—At 6 p.m. Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, Sermon, Solemn Te Deum and Benediction.
From 11 p.m. to midnight (Devotion for the End of the Year).
Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and Benediction.
Sunday, Jan. 1—Feast of the Circumcision of Our Lord.
At 6.30 Mass with sermon in Chinese.
At 7.30 Mass with sermon in English.
At 8.30 Mass with sermon in Portuguese.
At 9.30 Mass with sermon in English, followed by the Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, Veni Creator and Benediction.
At 2.30 p.m. Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament.
Wednesday, Jan. 4—Meeting of the Apostleship of Prayer's Ladies-Promoters at 5.45 p.m.
Thursday, Jan. 5—Vigil of the Epiphany—Meeting of the Ladies' Union at 11 a.m.—Holy Hour with sermon in English from 6 to 7 p.m.
Friday, Jan. 6—Feast of the Epiphany of Our Lord—Holyday of Obligation—The Abstinence is dispensed—Masses at 8.30, 7.30 (Choral), 8.30 and 9.30 a.m.—Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament at 8 p.m.
On week-days: Mass at 6.30 and 7.30 a.m.

EMMANUEL MISSION CHURCH

The following are the Services for the forthcoming week at Emmanuel Mission Church, 218 Nathan Road, Kowloon:

Saturday, 8.30 p.m.—Fellowship Meeting followed by the Lord's Supper.

Saturday, 11.15 p.m.—Watch-night Service.

Sunday, 11 a.m.—Divine Service. Preacher, Rev. G. G. Phillippe. Subject, "The New Man." Text, "Therefore if any man be in Christ he is a new creature, old things are passed away; behold all things are become new." 2 Cor. 5:17.

Sunday, 3 p.m.—Sunday School and Bible Classes.

Sunday, 8.30 p.m. Gospel Service preceded by Song Service at 8 p.m.

Monday-Saturday 6 p.m.—Universal Week of Prayer, commences on Monday, January 2, 1939.

Monday:—Subject, "Thanksgiving, Confession and Prayer."

Tuesday:—Subject, "The Church Universal."

Wednesday:—Subject, "Nations and their Rulers."

Thursday:—Subject, "Missions."

Friday:—Subject, "Home Life and Education."

Saturday:—Subject, "Home Missions and the Salvation of the Jews."

Monday, 8 p.m.—S.A.C.A. Meeting.

Tuesday, 2.30 p.m.—Meeting for Chinese Amahs.

Thursday, 10.15 a.m. Ladies Bible Study Circle at 216, Nathan Road.

Friday, 8 p.m.—Bible Study Circle at 3, Ho Man Tin Street, conducted by Mr. C. R. Jonsson. All are welcome.

ST. TERESA'S CHURCH

December 31, Saturday, at 8.00 p.m. Thanksgiving Service, with Sermon, Te Deum and Benediction.

January 1, Sunday: The Circumcision of Our Lord.

7.00 a.m. Holy Mass with Sermon in Chinese.

8.00 a.m. Holy Mass, Sermon in English and Benediction.

9.30 a.m. Holy Mass with Sermon in English.

January 2, Monday. The Feast of the Holy Name of Jesus.

January 5, The Vigil of Epiphany.

From 6.00 to 7.00 p.m. Holy Hour, followed by the Meeting of the Apostleship of Prayer.

January 6, The Epiphany of Our Lord (Holyday of Obligation, Abstinence dispensed). First Friday of the Month.

Holy Masses at 6.30, 7.30 and 9.30 a.m. The Exercises of the First Friday at 7.00 a.m.

ST. ANDREW'S CHURCH

(CHURCH OF ENGLAND)

New Year's Day Services

Universal Week of Prayer

The following are the forthcoming services etc., at St. Andrew's Church, Kowloon.

Sunday, January 1.—New Year's Day.

Holy Communion 8 a.m.

Primary Sunday School in the Hall 10 a.m. Leaders: Mrs. Bird and Miss W. Robinson.

Young People's Service in the Church 10 a.m. Leader: Mrs. J. R. Higgs.

Mattins at 11 a.m. Preacher: The Vicar. (Service Broadcast).

Evensong at 6.15 p.m. Preacher: The Vicar.

Monday, Jan. 2.—Beginning of Universal Week of Prayer organised by the world's Evangelical Alliance. Service in Cathedral at 5.30 p.m. Speaker: The Dean. A short service will be held in the Cathedral in this connection every day this week at 5.30 p.m.

Medical Relief Working Party 10 a.m.

Bible Reading Fellowship and Fellowship of Youth 6 p.m.

Teachers' Preparation Class 7 p.m.

St. Andrew's Club "Open Night" 9 p.m.

Tuesday, Jan. 3.—Mothers' Union Party Committee Meeting 3 p.m.

Brownie Pack 3.30 p.m.

Boys' Choir Practice 8.30 p.m.

Wednesday, Jan. 4.—Medical Relief Working Party 10 a.m.

Wolf Cubs 5.30 p.m.

Fellowship of Youth's New Year's Social 8.45 p.m.

Prover Scouts 8.45 p.m.

Thursday, Jan. 5.—Women's Fellowship 3 p.m.

Boy Scouts 6 p.m.

St. Andrew's Club League Badminton Match 8.30 p.m.

Friday, Jan. 6.—The Epiphany.

Holy Communion 7.30 a.m.

Medical Relief Working Party 10 a.m.

Full Choir Practice 6.30 p.m.

CATHOLIC CATHEDRAL

The following are the forthcoming services at the Catholic Cathedral, Caine Road.

January 1—Sunday (Vacant) The Circumcision of Our Lord

Morning Services:
1st Mass at 6 with sermon in Chinese.

2nd Mass at 8 Solemn High Mass followed by the Procession of the Blessed Sacrament Veni Creator and Benediction.

3rd Mass at 10 with sermon in English.

Evening services:
At 3.30 Catechetical Instruction. At 4 Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, recitation of the Holy Rosary and Benediction.

January 2.—The Holy Name of Jesus.

January 5.—The Vigil of Epiphany.

Holy Hour from 5.30 to 6.30 p.m. January 6th—First Friday of the Month—Epiphany of Our Lord.

Holyday of Obligation—Holy Masses as on Sunday.

General Communion in honour of the Sacred Heart at 7.30 Mass. At 5.30 p.m. Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament.

On week days Mass at 6 and 7.30.

Confessions Morning and Evening.

ST. JOSEPH'S CHURCH

January 1.—The Circumcision of Our Lord.

First Mass and General Communion at 8 a.m.

Service for the Army and Royal Navy at 9 a.m.

Third Mass at 10 a.m., followed by Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament.

Sunday School at 3 p.m.

January 6.—Epiphany of Our Lord. (Holyday of Obligation) (Abstinence is dispensed).

Holy Mass and General Communion at 8 a.m.

On week-days, Holy Mass at 8 a.m.

Confessions are heard every day, before and after Mass.

On Saturdays, the special time for Confession is from 4.30 p.m. to 8 p.m.

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011-Daventry, Trans. II

0111-Daventry, Trans. III

01111-Holland-India

4-Australia

TO-DAY

Finance and Commerce

Philippine Gold Mines Pay Dividends; Operation Reports Good

Good dividend payments and satisfactory operations and development work again constituted the highlights of the latest news in the Philippines mining industry. Meanwhile, another active mining year is anticipated with some of the mines mapping out their expansion programme for 1939. These preparations for further expansion for next year explain the low production figures reported by a few of the properties for November.

Soriano Mines

The Manila offices of the Soriano interests announce that IXL will pay two centavos per share on January 15, 1939.

Directors of Antamok Goldfields, after recent favourable results in development of the lower levels of the mine, have decided to meet in January after the closing of the books, and meantime announce that at least one centavo per share will be declared, payable January 15, 1939. Cash position of the company is more than ample, it was announced.

Suyoc Consolidated has declared a ten per cent. dividend to be paid January 15. This dividend will be the second declared this year by Suyoc, one of ten per cent. having been paid in July.

Masbate

Reporting on the financial status of Masbate Consolidated Mining Company, the Soriano interests estimated that net earnings of the company for the year 1938 will amount to approximately Pesos 790,000 which, with the surplus on January 1, 1938 of Pesos 810,329.97, will bring the balance of the surplus account to approximately Pesos 1,600,000.

Officials of the company pointed out that a major programme of improvement in mining methods and mill performance with a view to lowering costs and increasing the percentage of gold recovery has been in progress during 1938 and will be completed early in 1939. This programme has involved the purchase of additional mining and milling equipment costing in excess of Pesos 1,300,000 which has been financed from earnings.

After completion of the major programme in the early part of next year, further acquisitions of equipment will be on a much smaller scale, and the funds realised from earnings will accumulate to be available for dividend distribution to stockholders.

Antamok

Development at Antamok Goldfields continued with satisfactory results. Tonnage milled during November amounted to 24,103 tons producing Pesos 353,023.29 with an overall recovery of 91.12 per cent.

IXL

Rainy weather necessitated a reduction in the open pit tonnage and increased underground deliveries at the IXL mine. The new hoist has been placed into operation and the balance of the mill filter installation completed. The company's mill treated during the past month 11,400 tons of ore recovering Pesos 258,376.52 with an overall gold extraction of 96.23 per cent. and silver of 85.5 per cent.

North Camarines

Development work at the North Camarines property during the month totalled 1,636 feet. Work in the 721 vein on the 250 level continued to give encouraging results. A footwall branch vein from the 561 on the 013 level was cut averaging Pesos 20.93. The 532 north drift on the 013 level cut the ore-shoot averaging Pesos 30.07. Construction work at the mill is progressing satisfactorily and all work is expected to be completed by January.

Mambulao

At Mambulao Consolidated, development and exploration footage amounted to 921 feet. A vein in the footwall of the 255 structure on the 250 was cut and averaged Pesos 16.62 for a distance of 39 feet. The 293 cross-cut on the 250 level from No. 2 shaft, cut the 302 vein. A drift was started on this structure, averaging Pesos 14.46 for 11 feet. All haulageway preparations are completed in readiness for delivery of ore to the North Camarines mill in January.

Surigao Consolidated

Surigao Consolidated Mining Company expects to finish its expansion programme early next year with the delivery of the new diesel, double-drum hoist and larger compressor. Due to this expansion production at the mine during November was low. With the completion of the final adjustments and improvements, however, the company expects greater production. The company produced Pesos 36,387.23 of gold and silver bullion, concentrate no longer being produced as previously. A total of 3,855.32 tons were milled with an average recovery of Pesos 9.44 per ton.

OTTAWA PACT ENDED BY INDIA

LONDON, Dec. 30 (B.W.S.).—Formal notice has been received from the Government of India of the termination, with effect from March 31 1939, of the agreement between the United Kingdom Government and the Government of India concluded at Ottawa on August 20, 1932.

Notice of termination was given on behalf of the Government of India on May 13 1938, as the result of a resolution passed by the Indian Legislative Assembly. The Government of India at the same time intimated its willingness to enter upon conversations with a view to the conclusion of a new agreement. Negotiations were subsequently initiated and are still in progress.

It was agreed between the two Governments that the Ottawa Agreement should continue in force subject to termination at three months notice by either party unless it was replaced by a new agreement. The President of the Board of Trade recently stated in Commons that the decision of the Government of India did not imply any breakdown in negotiations for a trade agreement.

INCREASED LEVY ON JEWS IN GERMANY

BERLIN, Dec. 30 (Reuter).—Jews here are alarmed by a rumour, said to come from a reliable source, that the 20 per cent. capital levy on their property is to be increased to 30 per cent.

It is declared that the first instalment of the levy collected on December 15, did not produce nearly as much as expected.

Officials of the Ministry of Finance would neither confirm nor deny the report, although they revealed that the actual figures of the first instalment will probably be furnished in January.

Jews have already paid up five per cent. of their property, and the rumoured increase, if true would mean they would still have one-quarter of their total original fortunes to lose.

SILVER MARKETS

LONDON SILVER

London, Dec. 29. Silver—Speculators bought "forward." Market steady. In the afternoon, the market was quietly firm, with buyers at the rate but sellers were reserved.

Spot 19-15 16d.
Forward 19-5, 8d. —Reuter

NEW YORK SILVER

New York, Dec. 29. Official Price, 42-3/4.—Reuter.

BOMBAY SILVER

Bombay, Dec. 29. Market—Steady. Offtake 20 bars.

Indian Mint Silver

Ready 51-02 51-03
Jan. 16 Settlement 51-01 51-02
Feb. 14 Settlement 50-15 51-00 —Reuter.

NEW YORK BROKER EXPELLED

New York, Dec. 30. The Stock Exchange authorities announce the expulsion of J. A. Sisto, a member of the Exchange since 1931, who has been found guilty of conduct inconsistent with just and equitable principles of trade.—Reuter.

PORTUGUESE CORK EXPORTS

Exports of cork and cork products from Portugal during 1937 totalled 181,013 metric tons, valued at about \$300,000,000 (H.K.) and recorded a gain of ten per cent. in volume and 32 per cent. in value when compared with exports amounting to 164,569 metric tons during 1936.

The gain, however, was due to the exceptionally large exports during the first half of the year, as during the final six months the volume of shipments remained correspondingly higher than in the preceding year.

THE COTTON DISPUTE

Puerto Rico And Jamaica

Patriotic Lord Beaverbrook pointed out that Jamaica buys some £370,000 worth of British cotton a year, whereas the American island of Puerto Rico, also in the West Indies, and with approximately the same population, takes some £3,000,000 of cotton goods from the United States.

Between Puerto Rico and the U.S.A. there exists a Customs Union. A similar arrangement between Britain and Jamaica would cause the Jamaicans to buy £3,000,000 worth of British cotton, and the same scheme extended throughout the Empire would provide Lancashire with a new market of £50,000,000 a year.

Mr. W.P. Percival Crozier, Editor of the "Manchester Guardian" in reply declared that most of Puerto Rico cotton imports were returned to the U.S.A. after they had been made up into frocks and dresses by cheap native labour. Actually Puerto Rico's cotton consumption was about the same as Jamaica's. Perhaps this might happen in Hongkong one day.

If Lord Beaverbrook's estimates of the Jamaica market were correct, the Guardian summed up, it would mean that every native would buy twice as much cotton as an American, three times as the average Briton, five times as much as a South African, or six times as much as an Egyptian or Indian.

PRODUCTION OF CHEMICALS IN ITALY

Various plants are being constructed in the new industrial zone of Bolzano, Italy, among them the establishment at Agruzzo, which will produce daily about 15,000 litres of absolute alcohol (about 300,000 quintals per annum) from wood residue, using the Solvay process.

Another Italian concern will exploit, during five months following the harvest, 50,000 quintals of dregs of grapes, extracting extra neutral alcohol, 96-97 per cent, tartrates and edible oil.

The residue of the dregs will go into fuel-bricks, to be used in power production for the plant.

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ITALY'S NEW MERCHANT FLEET

Further details have now come to hand of the large building programme of high-speed passenger and cargo ships announced recently by the Società Finanziaria Marittima, which controls several leading Italian shipping companies and 40 per cent. of Italy's total mercantile tonnage.

Altogether 44 new ships have been laid down or ordered, the last for delivery in 1941. Thirty-seven of these vessels are designed for express cargo services, the other seven being fast passenger liners. Details of the programme are:

- 11 ships of 9,000 tons for the Far Eastern Trade.
- 3 ships of 5,000 tons for the Black Sea trade.
- 11 ships of 4,000 tons for the North Sea and Baltic trade.
- 4 ships of 2,000 tons for the Italian coastal trade.
- 4 ships of 6,000 tons for the South American trade.
- 2 passenger ships of 16,000 tons for the Central American and Pacific coast service.
- 2 passenger ships of 10,000 tons for the South American services.
- 1 passenger ship of 20,000 tons for the Shanghai service.
- 1 passenger ship of 5,000 tons for the Egyptian service.
- 1 passenger ship of 5,000 tons for the Istanbul service.

All these vessels will be built largely by Government subsidy,

COMPENSATION FOR BRITISH SHIPS

GENERAL FRANCO'S REPLY

London, Dec. 30.

The British Government has under consideration the reply received from General Franco on the question of payment of compensation for damage done to British ships trading with Spain.

It is anticipated that the note will be submitted to a committee of British shipowners trading with Spain for their consideration. The communication constitutes the reply to a plan evolved between the British Government and the committee of shipowners and confidentially submitted to France.—British Wireless.

EXEMPTED GOODS

The Ministry of Finance has decided to exempt the following 11 out of 24 items of products intended for export from obtaining foreign exchange allotments. These include tung oil, bristles, hide, leatherware, tea, mineral products, a limited variety of Chinese medicinal herbs, wool, silk, hemp, casings, and feathers. This ruling will become effective as from tomorrow.

and most of them will enjoy an operating subsidy. The plans of every ship have been approved by the Italian naval authorities, and provide for the mounting of guns up to 6.1in.

WEEKLY RETURNS AND REPORTS

BANK OF ENGLAND

London, December 29.	
Dec. 22	Dec. 29
(000's omitted)	
Public Deposits	£ 12,520 £ 15,940
Other Deposits:	
Bankers	98,340 101,030
Other Accounts	37,310 36,750
Total	135,650 137,780
Government Securities	72,120 69,220
Other Securities:	
Discounts and Advances	14,910 23,540
Securities	21,800 21,460
Total	39,710 50,000
Notes and Coins	54,280 52,470
Total Bullion	327,310 327,200
Notes in circulation	503,040 504,730
Ratio of Reserve to Liabilities	36.62% 34.13%
	—Reuter.

FEDERAL RESERVE SYSTEM

New York, December 29.	
Dec. 22	Dec. 29
(000's omitted)	
Bills Bought	\$ 1,000 \$ 1,000
U.S. Securities held	2,564,000 2,564,000
Federal Reserve Ratio	83.35% 83.58%
Federal Reserve Credit Outstanding	2,656,000 2,610,000
Monetary Gold Stock	14,454,000 14,508,000
Industrial Advance	15,533,000 —Reuter.

MONEY AND EXCHANGE

CLOSING QUOTATIONS

DECEMBER 30, 1939

On London:	
Telegraphic Transfer	12 1/2
Bank Bills, on demand	12 1/2
Credits 4 months' sight	1 3/4
On Shanghai:	
On demand	17 1/2 nom.
On Singapore:	
On demand	53 1/2
On Japan:	
On demand	11 1/2
On India:	
Telegraphic Transfer	83
On demand	10 1/2
On New York:	
Bank Bills, on demand	7 1/2
Credits, 60 days' sight	3 3/8
On Batavia:	
On demand	52 1/2
On Paris:	
Bank Bills, on demand	10 1/2
Credits 4 months' sight	11 1/4
On Saigon:	
On demand	10 1/2
On Manila:	
On demand	57 7/8
On Bangkok:	
On demand	14 1/2
Sterling Notes:	
Bank Buying Rate	1/3 1/8
Bar Silver per oz.	19 1/2

London Exchange

London, Dec. 29.	
Closing market rates were as follows:	
Paris, 177-1/4.	
New York, 4.65-15/16.	
Montreal, 4.70-5/8.	
Brussels, 27.834.	
Geneva, 20.64.	
Amsterdam, 8.56-3/4.	
Milan, 88-9/16.	
Berlin, 11.63.	
Prague, 145-3/4.	
Lisbon, 110-3/16.	
Buenos Aires, 20.41.	
Montevideo, 18-3/4.	
Bombay, 1/5-15/16d.	
Shanghai, 84d.	
Other rates were unchanged.	
British Wireless.	

New York Exchange

New York, Dec. 29.	
T.T. on London (Opening Rate).	486-1/16—Reuter.

Paris Exchange

Paris, Dec. 29.	
Sterling was quoted at 177 1/8 to 177 1/4; U.S. Dollar at 37.965 to 37.985.	—Transocean.

Berlin Exchange

Berlin, Dec. 29.	
The Reichsmark was quoted without guarantee at New York, 40.105; Paris, 1524; Amsterdam, 73.725; London, 11.625.	—Transocean.

Shanghai Exchange

Official T.T. Rates	
London, Dec. 29.	
Opening	
London	0/8
New York	15-5/8
Japan	56-7/8
Paris	5.48
Hongkong	53-3/8

Silver Duty Rate	
The Central Bank of China's rate on London at 10 a.m. to-day was 1/2-1/2d., unchanged from yesterday.	
The liquidation rate was 4-1/2 per cent.	
	—Reuter.

LONDON METALS EXCHANGE

London, Dec. 29.	
COPPER	
buyers	sellers
£	£
Standard, Cash 44-7/16	44-1/2
Standard, 3 months 44-3/4	44-13/16
Electrolytic 49-3/4	50-1/2
TIN	
Standard, Cash 218-1/2	218-3/4
Standard, 3 months 217-3/4	218
LEAD	
Foreign, Official Price 15-3/16	15-1/4
Foreign, Official, 3 months 15-1/4	15-5/16
SPELTER	
Ordinary, Official Price 13-13/16	13-15/16
Ordinary, Official, 3 months 13-15/16	14
Final Afternoon Transactions	
Tin, Standard, Cash, £218-3/4	paid and buyers.
Tin, Standard, 3 months, £218	paid and buyers.—Reuter.

BROKERS' LOAN

New York, Dec. 29.	
Loan on securities to brokers in New York:	
Week-ended 22/12/38	29/12/38
\$690,000,000	\$691,000,000
	—Reuter.

LONDON GOLD

London, Dec. 29.	
Bar Gold, Fine per oz., 149/04.	
Dollar Parity, Parity.—Reuter.	

NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE

(Through Reuter's Service)

QUOTATIONS

STOCKS	Last Sale Dec. 29	STOCKS	Last Sale Dec. 29
Adams Express	10 1/2	Int. Tel. & Tel.	9 1/2
Allegheny Steel Co.	27 1/2	Johns Manville	10 1/2
Allis Chalmers	48	Kennecott Copper	43 1/2
Amercan Corp.	69 1/2	Libbey-Owens-Ford Glass	53
Amer. Can.	100 1/2	Lockheed Aircraft	37 1/2
Amer. & Foreign Power	31	Loew's Inc.	53
Amer. & Foreign P. pf.	18	Martin, Glen L.	35 1/2
Amer. Locomotive	30	McKesson & Robbins, \$3 pf.	—
Amer. Metals Co.	39 1/2	Montanto Chemical	108
Amer. Radiator	18	Montgomery Ward	52 1/2
Amer. Rolling Mill	21 1/2	Nat. Dairy Products	13 1/2
Amer. Sugar R'ing	52 1/2	Nat. Distillers	27 1/2
Amer. Tel. & Tel.	148	National Gypsum	16
Amer. Tobacco "B"	88	National Lead	27 1/2
Amer. Waterworks	13 1/2	Nat. Power & Light	8
Anacosta Copper	35	Nat. Supply Corp.	15
Atchafalpa, T. & S. Fe.	41 1/2	New York Central	20 1/2
Auburn Motors	34 1/2	N. American Aviation	10 1/2
Baltimore & Ohio	7 1/2	N. American Co.	22 1/2
Barber Asphalt Co.	20 1/2	Northern Pacific	14
Barnes Oil	18 1/2	Pacific Gas & Elec.	27 1/2
Bethlehem Steel	78 1/2	Pacific Lighting	43
Boeing Aircraft Co.	35 1/2	Packard Motors	4 1/2
Borg-Warner	32 1/2	Paramount Pictures	12 1/2
Biggs M'facturing	31	Pennsylvania R.R.	23 1/2
Brooklyn M'hattan Trans.	11 1/2	Phillips-Dodge	43 1/2
B'klyn M'hattan S. cum pf.	40	Phillips Petroleum	43 1/2
Canadian Pacific R'way.	6 1/2	Public Service of N.J.	31 1/2
Case, J.I.	90 1/2	Pure Oil	10 1/2
Chesapeake & Ohio	38 1/2	Radio Corp. of Am.	7 1/2
Chrysler Corp.	83 1/2	Republic Steel	24 1/2
Columbia Gas & El.	7 1/2	Reynold Tobacco "B"	44
Columbia 8% "A" pf.	72 1/2	Schenley Distillers	17 1/2
Commercial	56 1/2	Sears Roebuck	74
Commonwealth & S. (ord.)	1 1/2	Shell Union Oil	14 1/2
Crown & S. 6% cum pf.	48 1/2	Sooey-Vacuum Oil	13 1/2
Consolidated Edison	30 1/2	Southern Pacific	20 1/2
Consolidated Oil	8 1/2	Southern Ry 4 1/2 pf.	33 1/2
Continental Can	42 1/2	Standard Brands	7 1/2
Continental Oil	30 1/2	Stand Gas & Elec.	7 1/2
Corn Products	65 1/2	Standard Oil of N.J.	52 1/2
Curtiss Wright (C.)	7 1/2	Stone & Webster	17 1/2
Curtiss Wright "A"	28	Swift International	27 1/2
Distillers Corp. Seagrams	20 1/2	Technicolor	22
Douglas Aircraft	80 1/2	Texas Corp.	47 1/2
Du Pont de Nemours	152 1/2	Texas Gulf Sulphur	32 1/2
Eagle Picher Lead	13 1/2	Trans-America Co.	6 1/2
Elc. Bond & Share	11	20th Cent. Frx.	25 1/2
Elc. Bond & Share \$5 pf.	57	20th Cent. Fox \$14 pf.	34 1/2
Elc. Bond & Share \$6 pf.	63	Union Carbide & Carbon	88 1/2
Elc. Power & Light \$7 pf.	37 1/2	Union Pacific	95 1/2
Flintkote	30 1/2	United Aircraft	43
Gen. American Trans.	59	United Airlines Trans.	13 1/2
Gen. Electric	44 1/2	United Corp.	3 1/2
Gen. Motors	50 1/2	United Corp. \$3 cum pf.	35
Gen. Railway Signal	28	United Gas Corp.	11
Gildden Co.	24 1/2	United Gas Improvement	3 1/2
Goodrich (B.F.)	25	U.S. Rubber	5 1/2
Goodrich \$5 pf.	65	U.S. Rubber \$4 pf.	102 1/2
Goodyear Tire & Co.	38 1/2	U.S. Steel	69
Great Northern Iron Ore	14 1/2	Vanadium	28 1/2
Great Northern Ry. pf.	30	Warner Bros. Pict.	63
Great Western Sugar	25 1/2	Westinghouse Elec.	120
Greyhound Corp.	20 1/2	Woodward Iron Cor.	25 1/2
Hacker Products	10 1/2	Chase National Bank	31 1/2
Homestake Mining	64	National City Bank	24 1/2
Int. Nickel	56 1/2		

*—bid. —ex. div.

DOW JONES AVERAGE

1938		Dec. 31, 1938.	
High	Low	High	Low
154.41	98.95	153.85	153.03
33.18	19.00	33.18	33.18
25.19	15.14	25.19	25.19
92.70	82.39	92.70	92.70
58.00	45.03	58.00	45.03
11		11	
Commodity Index		Commodity Index	
1280,900 shares		1280,900 shares	

HONGKONG SHARE QUOTATIONS

STOCK EXCHANGE		SHAREBROKERS' ASSOCIATION	
Buyers	Sellers	Buyers	Sellers
FRIDAY 30. DEC.			
Banks			
H.K. Banks	\$145		
Do. (Col. Reg.)	28 1/2		
Do. (Lon. Reg.)	28 1/2		
Chartered Bank	24 1/2		
Mercantile Bk. "A"	24 1/2		
Mercantile Bk. "C"	24 1/2		
Bank of East Asia	24 1/2		
N. C. & S. Banks	24 1/2		
Insurance			
Canton Insurance	24 1/2		
Union Insurance	24 1/2		
Underwriters	24 1/2		
H.K. Fire	24 1/2		
Shipping			
Douglases	24 1/2		
Steamboats	24 1/2		
Indo-China (Pref.)	24 1/2		
Indo-China (Def.)	24 1/2		
Shells	24 1/2		
Waterboats	24 1/2		
Docks, Wharves, Godowns, etc.			
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Canton-K'loon Ry. 5%	19
Chinese 4 1/2% Gold Loan, 1898 (Brit. Issue)	77-1/2
Chinese 5% Gold Bonds, 1925-47	75-1/2
Chin. 4 1/2% Anglo-French Loan, 1908	56
Chinese 5% Crisp Loan, 1912	37
Chinese 5% Reorg. Loan, 1913 (Ldn. Is.)	57
Chinese 5% Ster. Notes, 1925 (Vickers)	13-1/2
Chin. Imperial Ry. 5% Loan	73
Honam Ry. 5%	26
Hukuang Ry. 5%, 1911 (German Issue)	25-1/2
Lung Tsing & U. Hai Ry. 5%	25-1/2
S'hai-N'king Ry. 5%	24-1/2
Tientsin-Pukow Ry. 5% (Brit. Stpd.)	17-1/2
Tientsin-Pukow Ry. 5% (German Stpd.)	17-1/2
Tientsin-Pukow Ry. 5% (Ger. Stpd. Supl. Loan)	17
Jap. 5% Ster. Loan, 1907	44
Jap. 6% Ster. Loan, 1924	52-1/2
Ger. 7% Intl. Loan, 1924	42-1/2
Chartered Bank	9-1/8
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H.K. & S'hai Bank (Col. Reg.)	88
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SPOT	28-1/2	28-3/4	28-1/8	28-3/8	off 3/8
JAN.-MARCH	28-5/8	28-7/8	28-3/8	28-5/8	off 1/4
APRIL-JUNE	29	29-1/4	28-3/4	29	off 1/4

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 HAKODATE MARU 9th Jan.
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Sawokla, American, 3,667 registered tons, Captain S. J. Lee, from New York, at Kowloon Wharf, a.m.—Thoresen & Co. (Tel. 30237).

Peter Maersk, Danish, 3,434 registered tons, Capt. Schmidt, from U.S.A., Japan and Shanghai, at Kowloon Wharf, a.m.—Jessen and Co. (Tel. 31205).

Laos, French, 734 reg. tons, Capt. P. E. Morganti, from Saigon, at buoy No. B2, a.m.—M. M. (Tel. 26851).

Anshun, British, 1,869 registered tons, Captain C. P. Miller, from Straits, at buoy No. B2, a.m.—B. & S. (Tel. 30331).

Kiangchow, British, 1,548 registered tons, Captain J. Hodgkiss, from Shanghai and Swatow, at buoy No. B2, a.m.—B. and S. (Tel. 30331).

Jean Dupuis, French, 386 registered tons, Captain Lavelle, from Haiphong and K. C. Wan, at buoy No. B2, a.m.—B. & S. (Tel. 30331).

Neleus, British, from Europe and Straits, at Holt's Wharf, a.m.—J.M. and Co. (Tel. 30331).

Hai Ching, British, 1,322 registered tons, Captain O. H. Farrar, from Swatow, at Douglas Wharf, a.m.—Douglas & Co. (Tel. 28037).

DUE TO-DAY

Kwangtung, British, 1,572 registered tons, Captain J. R. Nisbet, from Haiphong, Pakhoi & Holwh, at buoy No. B2, a.m.—B. & S. (Tel. 30331).

Muhnam, Danish, 1,739 registered tons, Captain V. L. Reister, from Singapore and Holwh, at buoy No. B2, a.m.—B. & S. (Tel. 30331).

Tisalak, Dutch, 3,614 registered tons, Captain J. Keuning, from Java ports, at buoy No. A2, a.m.—J. C. J. Line (Tel. 28015).

SHIPS IN HARBOUR

Kowloon Wharf.—President Taft, Kum Sang and Naikin.
 Holt's Wharf.—Menelaus.
 Talkoo S. R. Wharf.—Deslock, Stonecutters.—Changon.
 Yaumati.—Forafic and New-chwang.

DOCKS

Talkoo.—Boissevain, Centaur, Erodona, Talyuan and Wing Wo.
 Kowloon.—Ming Sang, Greystoke Castle and Prominent.

BOYS

No. A 2.—Talma.
 No. A 8.—Idion.
 No. A 9.—Benlomond.
 No. A 13.—Phemius.
 No. A 14.—Foch.
 No. A 15.—Kaying.
 No. B 9.—Lee Sang.
 No. B 11.—Bantan.
 No. B 14.—Kanchow.
 No. B 15.—Kalgan.
 No. B 16.—Hiram.
 No. B 17.—Hal Lee.

ARRIVED YESTERDAY

Lee Sang, British, 972 registered tons, Captain C. R. Harris, from Swatow, at buoy No. B9.—J. M. and Co. (Tel. 30311).

Soochow, British, 1,594 registered tons, Captain J. Whyte, from Shanghai and Swatow, at buoy No. B21.—B. & S. (Tel. 30331).

President Taft, American, 8,171 reg. tons, Captain O. A. Pierson, from Manila, at Kowloon Wharf, a.m.—American Pres. Lines Ltd. (Tel. 23171).

Hai Lee, Norwegian, 2,160 registered tons, Captain M. Worsoe, from Amoy and Swatow, at buoy No. B17.—Thoresen and Co. (Tel. 30237).

Kum Sang, British, 3,341 registered tons, Capt. D. G. Burleigh, from Calcutta and Straits, at Kowloon Wharf.—J. M. & Co. (Tel. 30311).

Nanking, Swedish, 3,486 registered tons, Capt. Abenius, from Japan and Shanghai, at buoy No. A3.—Gilmann and Co. (Tel. 30366).

Empress of Japan, British, 15,725 reg. tons, Captain L. D. Douglas, from Vancouver via Japan and Shanghai, at Kowloon Wharf.—C. P. S. (Tel. 20752).

Tusima Maru, Japanese, 4,189 registered tons, Captain T. Adati, from Moji, at buoy No. A16.—N. Y. K. (Tel. 30291).

Bantan, Dutch, 2,300 registered tons, Captain Zolderhadt, from Bangkok, at buoy No. B11.—J. C. J. Line (Tel. 28015).

SAILING TO-DAY

Kaying, British, 1,572 registered tons, Capt. E. H. Histed, from buoy No. A15, for Shanghai, 10 a.m.—B. & S. (Tel. 30331).

Hai Lee, Norwegian, 2,160 registered tons, Capt. M. Worsoe, from buoy No. B17, for Holwh, Singapore, Penang and Rangoon, 11 a.m.—Thoresen & Co. (Tel. 30237).

Menelaus, British, 6,319 registered tons, Captain Neville, from Holt's Wharf, for Shanghai and Japan, a.m.—B. & S. (Tel. 30331).

Talma, British, 8,154 reg. tons, Capt. C. C. Gwyn, from buoy No. A2, for Singapore, Penang, Port Swettenham, Rangoon and Calcutta, 10.30 a.m.—M. M. and Co. (Tel. 27721).

Nankin, British, 4,420 reg. tons, Capt. Mills, from Kowloon Wharf, for Manila, Rabaul, Brisbane, Sydney, Melbourne and Hobart, 11 a.m.—M. M. & Co. (Tel. 27721).

Whing Wah, Portuguese, 651 reg. tons, Captain J. Teixeira, from Salkong Wharf, for K. C. Wan, 4 p.m.—Tai Fung & Co. (Tel. 20093).

Pres. Taft, American, 8,171 reg. tons, Captain O. A. Pierson, from Kowloon Wharf, for San Francisco, Los Angeles via Kobe, Yokohama and Honolulu, 9 p.m.—American President Lines Ltd. (Tel. 28171).

SAILING TO-MORROW

Soochow, British, 1,594 registered tons, Captain J. Whyte, from buoy No. B21, for Shanghai, 4 p.m.—B. & S. (Tel. 30331).

Lycmoon, British, 1,734 registered tons, Captain E. Holmes, from buoy No. B4, for Saigon, a.m.—Tai Fung & Co. (Tel. 20093).

Changon, British, 2,235 registered tons, Captain Edmondson, from Stonecutters, for Haiphong, a.m.—Dodwell & Co. (Tel. 28021).

Lee Sang, British, 972 registered tons, Captain C. R. Harris, from buoy No. B9, for Shanghai, 5 p.m.—J. M. & Co. (Tel. 30311).

Kum Sang, British, 3,341 registered tons, Captain D. G. Burleigh, from Kowloon Wharf, for Kobe and Osaka, 9 a.m.—J. M. and Co. (Tel. 30311).

SAILED YESTERDAY

Gran for Shanghai.
 Canton Maru for Keelung.
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M.V. BOISSEVAIN

The m.v. Boissevain (J. C. J. Line) will leave Hongkong for Rodriguez, Mauritius, Reunion, Matave, L. Marques, Durban and Capetown on Thursday, January 5, at 5 p.m.

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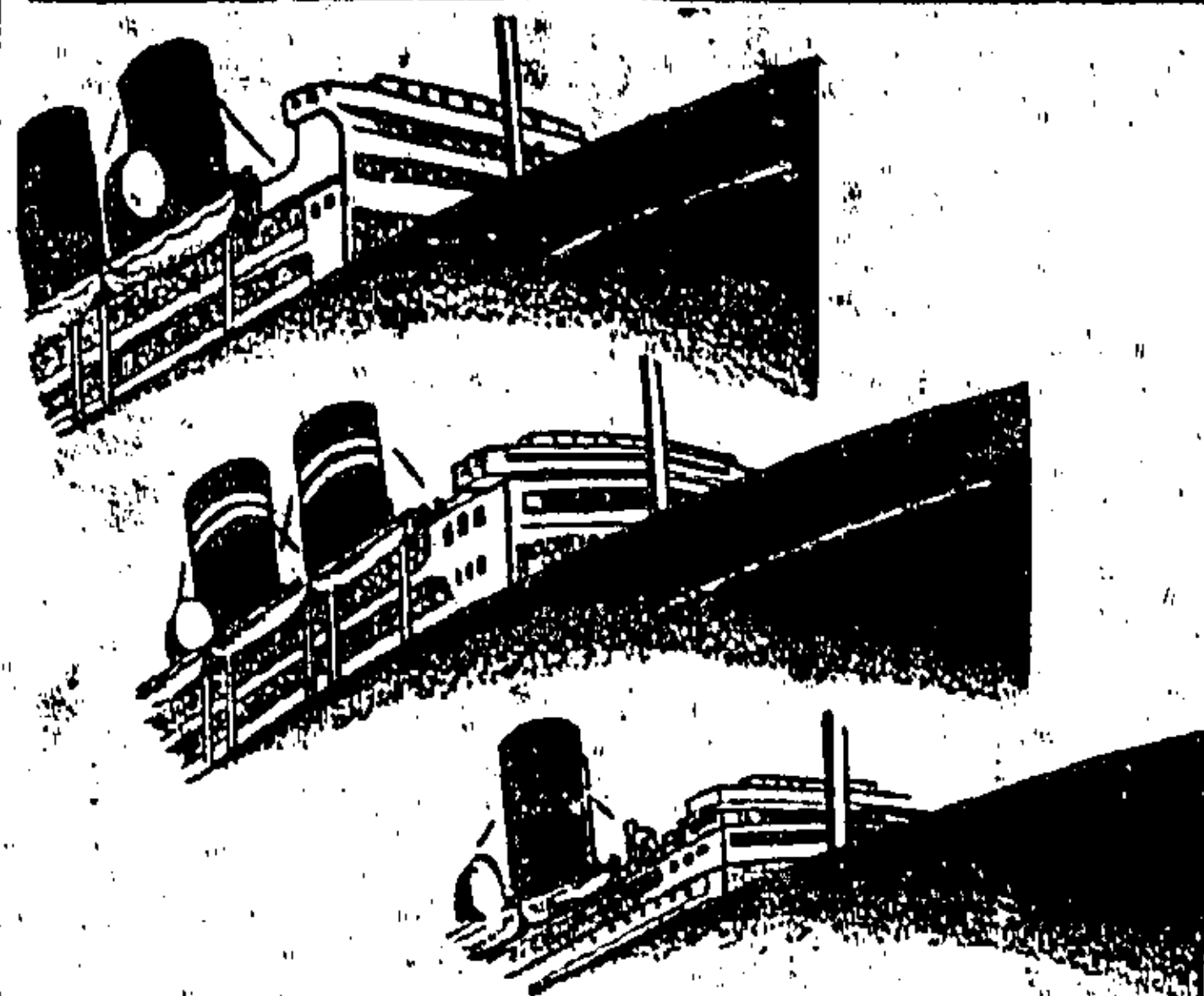
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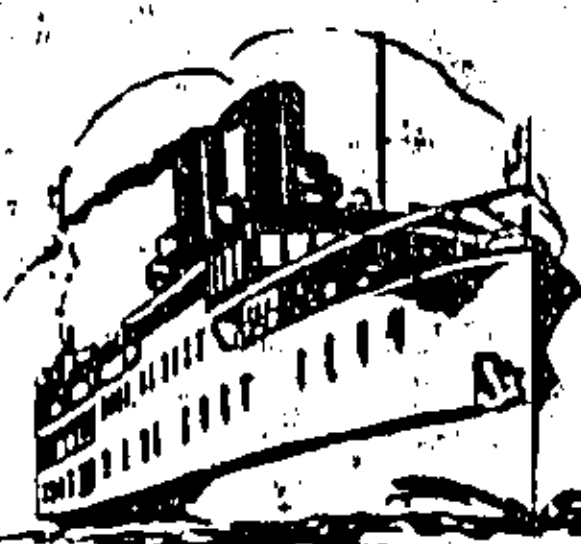
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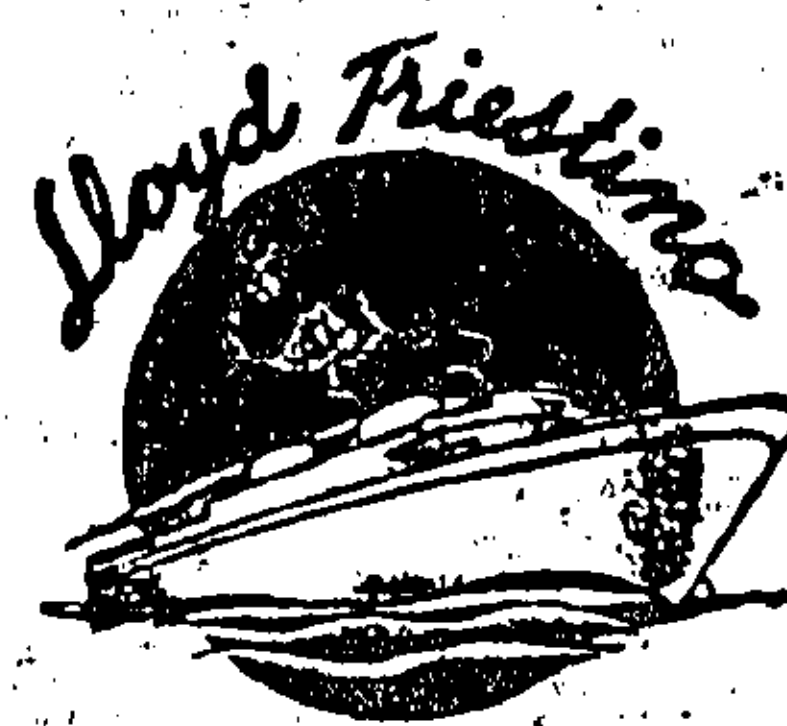
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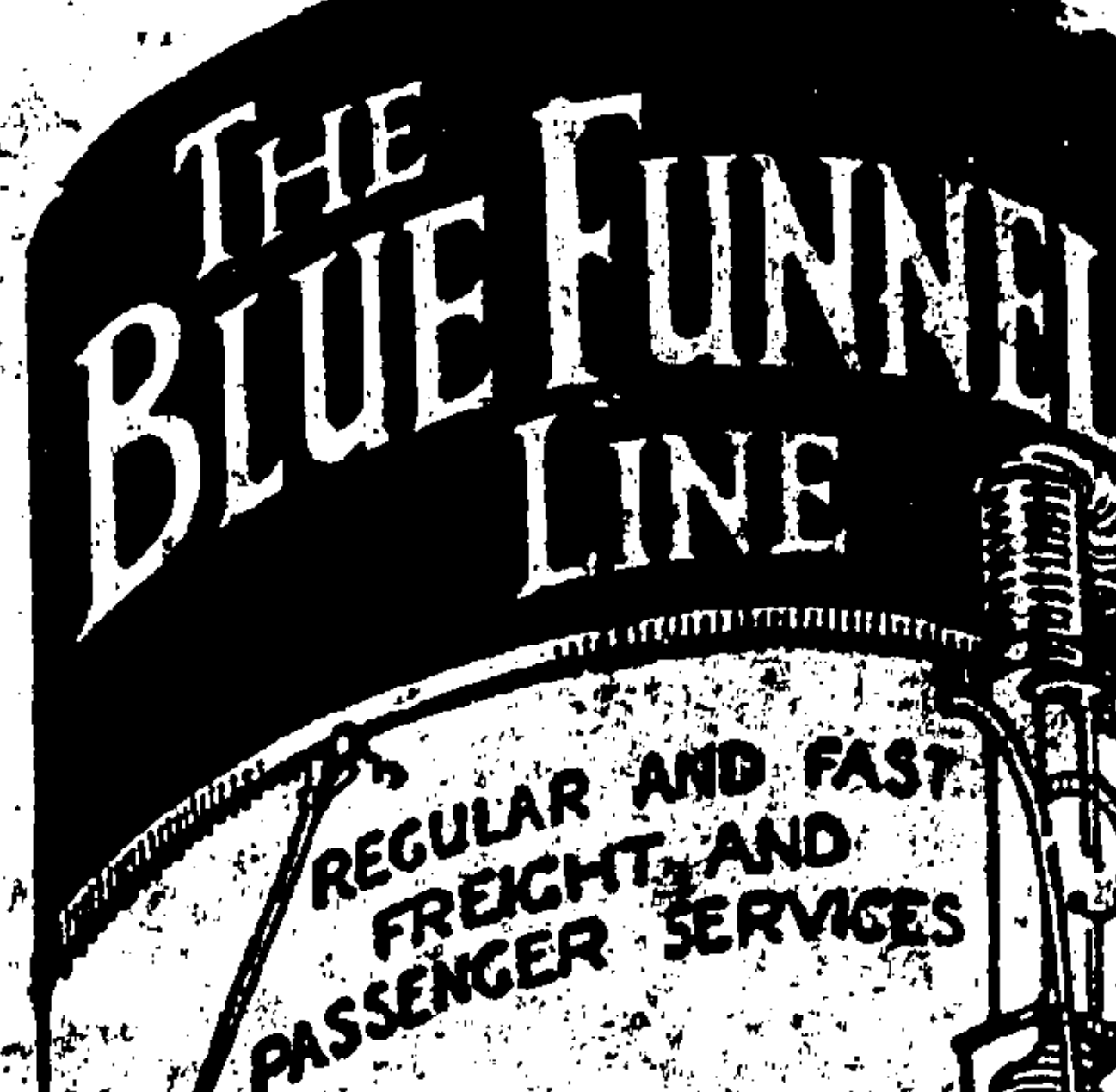
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2.15 p.m. Close down.
6 p.m. Dance Music.
Quickstep—Mine Alone (from "Paprika"); Slow Fox-Trot—Magyar Melody (from "Paprika")—Victor Silvester and His Ballroom Orchestra; Fox-Trot—Ol' Man Moses—Eddy Duchin and His Orchestra; Fox-Trot—Between The Devil And The Deep Blue Sea with vocal refrain; Selection—Alexander's Ragtime Band—New Mayfair Dance Orchestra; Waltzes—The Last Days of Doornik (from "Gypsy Princess")—Kaiman—Orchestra; Minstrel—Fox-Trot—Mama, I Wanna Make Rhythm (from "Manhattan Music Box")—Jack Harris and His Orchestra with vocal refrain by Dinah Miller; Fox-Trots—One O'Clock Jump; Lullaby In Rhythm—Eddie Carroll and His Swingphone Orchestra; Slow Fox-Trot—Hush, Here Comes The Dream Man—Henry Hall and His Orchestra with vocal refrain; Waltz—Tu-Li-Tulp Time—Fox-Trot—Beside A Moonlit Stream—Horace Heidt and His Alamoite Brigadiers with vocal chorus; Fox-Trots—A Stranger In Paris; Day Dreaming (from "Cay Imports")—Vincent Lopez and His Orchestra with vocal chorus by Johnny Russell; Selection—Everybody Sings—Louis Levy and His Orchestra with vocal chorus; Fox-Trots—Ten Easy Lessons; Small Fry (from "Sing Your Sinners")—Adrian Rollini Quintet.
7 p.m. Closing local Stock Quotations.
7.02 p.m. The Rocky Mountaineers.
Poor Dinah (Morton Morrow); It Ain't Nobody's Business What I Do (Samuel and Markowitz); Polly Wolly Doodle; Big Rock Candy Mountain; Underneath The Old Pine Tree; The Trail Of The Lonesome Pine—accompanied by the Bunk House Boys.
7.11 p.m. Film Memories.
"A Day At The Races"—Selection—Anton and The Paramount Theatre Orchestra, London, with Al Bollington at the Organ; "Going Greek"—A Little Co-Operation From You—Judy Shirley (Vocal) with Orchestra; "Firefly"—Selection—Louis Levy and His Gaumont-British Symphony with vocal refrain; The Night Is Young—When I Grow Too Old To Dream—Irene Dunne (Soprano) with Orchestra; "Every Night At Eight"—Selection—Phil Green and His Orchestra with vocal refrain; Tell Me Tonight—Tell Me Tonight—Richard Crooks (Tenor) with Orchestra.
7.30 p.m. Marek Weber and His Orchestra in Concert Waltzes with Miliza Korjus (Soprano).
Wine, Women And Song—Waltz (Strauss); Moonlight—On The Alayer—Waltz (from "The Merry Widow")—Marek Weber and His Orchestra; Olympia's Aria—The Doll's Song (from Tales of Hoffmann)—Ottobach—Miliza Korjus (Soprano) with Orchestra; Franz Schubert's Waltz (Milklock); Maidens Of Baden—Waltz (Komzak)—Marek Weber and His Orchestra; Thousand And One Nights Waltz (Strauss); Miliza Korjus and Berlin State Opera Orchestra. (Soprano in German); Artists' Life—Waltz (Strauss)—Marek Weber and His Orchestra.
8 p.m. Local Time Signal, Weather Report and Announcements.
8.03 p.m. Mills Brothers, The Boswell Sisters and Harry Roy's Tiger Ragamuffins.
Swing In The Thing (Gloom)—The Mills Brothers (Four Boys and a Guitar); From Monday On (Crosby-Barrs)—Harry Roy's Tiger Ragamuffins with vocal refrain by Harry Roy; Sentimental Gentleman From Georgia (Parish-Perkins)—The Boswell Sisters with Orchestra; Miss Otis Roeske (from "Hi Diddle Diddle")—The Mills Brothers (Four Boys and a Guitar); Ragtime Cowboy Joe (Muir-Abraham)—Selling On The Robert E. Lee (McCaffrey-Ringle)—Harry Roy's Tiger Ragamuffins; Shine Shine Boy (Chaplin, Cahn)—The Mills Brothers; Alexander's Ragtime Band (from the film)—The Boswell Sisters with Orchestra; You Made Me Love You (McCarthy-Monaco)—Harry Roy's Tiger Ragamuffins.
8.30 p.m. Selections from Light Opera.
"H.M.S. Pinafore"—Selection (Gilbert and Sullivan)—The B.B.C. Theatre Orchestra conducted by Stanford Robinson; "Paganini"—Vocal Gems (Lahar)—Light Opera Company; "The Maid Of The Mountains"—(Fraser-Simson)—The London Palladium Orchestra conducted by Richard Cream; "The Three Musketeers"—Vocal Gems—Victor Light Opera Company.
8.50 p.m. London Relay—London Log.
9 p.m. Old Time Songs.
Who Were You With Last Night?; Mysterious Rag; On! You Beautiful Doll; My Boy; My Southern Maid—Columbia Light Opera Company with Orchestra conducted by Charles Prentice; Won't You Come Home, Bill Bailey; The Ship I Love; Git yer 'air Cut; Champagne Charlie; After the Ball; Break the News to Mother; Tara-boom-de-ay—The Big Four (Vocal Quartette) with Piano; No anybody here seen Kelly; I do like to be beside the seaside; I want to sing in Opera; When Irish eyes are smiling; I'll make a man of everyone of you; Tipperary; Hold your hand out, naughty boy; Pack up your troubles; A Broken Doll; Ours is a nice 'ouse, ours is; One of the ruins that Cromwell knocked about a bit; Yes, we have no bananas; I lift up my finger and I say "Tweet, Tweet"; I wonder where my baby is to-night; Good-night, Vienna; Life begins at Oxford Circus; Jack Hylton; a wee Deoch and Dorts—Sir Harry Lauder; Sally-Grace Fields—Music Hall Orchestras and Artists; Sheik of Araby; What'll I do; It ain't gonna Rain; Horsey keep your Tail Up; Valencia; Bye Bye Blackbird; Romona; It happened in Monterey; Dancing with Tears in my eyes; River stay away from my door; Round the Marble Arch; Who's afraid of the Big Bad Wolf; The Man on the Flying Trapeze; My Heart was Singing—Columbia Vocal Gem Company with Orchestra.
9.30 p.m. London Relay—The News.
9.50 p.m. Relay of the Dance Orchestra from the Grill Room of the Hongkong Hotel.
12 Mid-night: Auld Lang Syne and The Bells of St. John's Cathedral ringing in the New Year.
Close down.

TO-MORROW

LINDSAY A. LAFFORD AT THE CATHEDRAL ORGAN

Beethoven Symphony
10 to 11 a.m. Relay of Morning Service from the Catholic Cathedral (Chinese).
11 to 12.15 p.m. Relay of Morning Service from St. Andrew's Church.
12.15 p.m. Grace Moore (Soprano), Gigli (Tenor) and the Boston Promenade Orchestra.
"Aida"—Grand March, Act 2 (Verdi)—Boston Promenade Orchestra conducted by Arthur Fiedler.
"I Pescatori di Perle"—I still seem to hear (Bizet)—"Manon"—O charming hour (Massenet)—Beniamino Gigli (Tenor) with Orchestra.
"Aida"—Ballet Suite (Verdi)—Boston Promenade Orchestra conducted by Arthur Fiedler.
"La Boheme"—Musetta's Waltz Song (Puccini); Funiculi Funicula (Denza)—Grace Moore (Soprano) with Orchestra. Waltz (from "The Sleeping Beauty"—Ballet—Tchakovsky)—Boston Promenade Orchestra conducted by Arthur Fiedler.
Ninna, Nanna Della Vita (from film "Solo per te"—Cherubini—Bixio); Ti Voglio Tanto Bene (from film "Solo per te"—Furno—de Curtis)—Beniamino Gigli (Tenor) with Orchestra cond. by Dino Olivieri.
The Whistling Boy; Our Song (from "When you're in love"—Jerome Kern—Fiedler)—Grace Moore (Soprano) with Orchestra. Jealousy—Tango—Tzigane (Gade)—Boston Promenade Orchestra conducted by Arthur Fiedler.
1 p.m. Local Time Signal and Weather Report.
1.03 p.m. Herbert Groh (Tenor) and George Boulanger and His Orchestra.
Hungarian March Potpourri (Pecel-Prichystal)—George Boulanger and His Orchestra. Water Lilies (Dobrint-Zander); Only For You—Waltz Song (Dnelle-Amberg)—Herbert E. Groh (Tenor) with Budapest at Night (Hungarian Airs—arr. G. von Belt-Pilinsky); Hungarian (after original folk melodies, arr. Jo Knumann)—George Boulanger and His Orchestra.
Wine Waltz (Gross-Steidl)—Herbert E. Groh (Tenor) with Orchestra. The Gypsy Baron—Selection (John Strauss, arr. Hobbs)—George Boulanger and His Orchestra.
1.30 p.m. Reuter and Rugby

BRADDOCK TO MEET HARVEY

LONDON, Dec. 30 (Reuter)—The promoter, Armand Vincent, announces that he has arranged a contest between the ex-world heavyweight champion, James J. Braddock, who intimated after he had lost the title to Joe Louis that he would retire for good, and Len Harvey, the British heavyweight champion, at Earl's Court, London, on either May 10 or 11.
Mr. Vincent intends to match the winner with Tommy Farr. If this happens to be Harvey then Harvey's British heavyweight title will be at stake.

I.R.C. DANCE

A very enjoyable evening was spent by members of the Indian Recreation Club and their friends last night when the Club held a dance in their pavilion at Sookun-poo. The dance was very well attended.
Press, Weather Forecast and Announcements.
1.40 p.m. Beethoven—Symphony No. 3 in E Flat Major, Op. 55. Played by Symphony Orchestra, conducted by Albert Coates.
2.24 p.m. Songs by Kirsten Flagstad (Soprano).
Creation's Hymn (Beethoven); I Love Thee (Beethoven)—With Piano accompaniment by Edwin McArthur.
2.30 p.m. Close down.
7 p.m. Excerpts from Gilbert and Sullivan.
"The Mikado"—Overture—The Light Opera Orchestra under direction of Rupert D'Oyley Carte.
"Patience"—Sad is that Woman's Lot—Bertha Lewis (Contralto). Turn, Oh Turn In This Direction—Chorus of Girls. A Magnet Hung in a Hardware Shop—Leslie Bands and Chorus of Girls.
"Trial By Jury"—Oh, Never, Never—Leo Sheffield, Winifred Lawson, George Baker and Chorus. May It Please You—Arthur Hosking, George Baker, Winifred Lawson and Chorus. That She Is Reeling—Leo Sheffield, Winifred Lawson, Arthur Hosking and Chorus. Oh, Gentlemen, Listen—Derek Oldham and Chorus of Girls. That Seems a Reasonable Proposition—Leo Sheffield, Arthur Hosking and Chorus.
"The Gondoliers"—I Am A Courtier Grate And Serious—H. A. Lytton, B. Lewis, M. Bennett, D. Oldham and G. Baker. Here Is A Case—D. Oldham, G. Baker, M. Bennett, W. Lawson, A. Davies and Chorus.
7.30 p.m. London Relay—"Mr. Bowers Goes 'High Hat'".
By William J. Foster, author of "Ghost In Little Haddam"—Characters: Tom Bowers, Mary, Tom's Wife, Joe Roberts, Tom's Friend, Harry Waters, Landlord of "The Spotted Dog", Mr. Toft, Mrs. Toft, Kathleen Toft, Mr. Binks, Solicitor; Vic Johnson and Mr. Smithers customers of "The Spotted Dog"; Inspector Morton; Constable No. 1 and 2.—Production by Howard Rose.
8 p.m. Local Time Signal and Weather Report.
8.03 p.m. Light Concert with Joseph Schmidt (Tenor), Friedel Schuster (Soprano) and Edith Lorand and Her Orchestra.
Gipsy Love—Overture (Lahar)—Edith Lorand and Her Viennese Orchestra. Spain, I Love Her (Armiches-Alvarez); I Thou Art Faithless (Benatzky)—Joseph Schmidt (Tenor) with Orchestra. "Helen"—O Divine Couple (Offenbach)—To Shield the Husband's Honour—Friedel Schuster (Soprano) with Orchestra. Haffner Serenade—Rondo (Mozart)—Edith Lorand and Her Viennese Orchestra. "Die Fledermaus"—You and You—Waltz (John Strauss)—Edith Lorand and Her Viennese Orchestra. L'Arlatella (Neapolitan Song—Biscardi)—Joseph Schmidt (Tenor) with Orchestra. My Beautiful Dream (Ritter-Tauber); You Mean The World To Me (from Operetta "The Singing Dream"—Tauber—Joseph Schmidt (Tenor) with Orchestra. The Last Waltz (Oscar Strauss); Donauweller, Waltz (Ivanovic)—Edith Lorand and Her Orchestra.
8.45 p.m. Relay of an Opera Recital from St. John's Cathedral by Lindsay A. Lafford.
8.15 p.m. London Relay—"London's New Year".
A talk by Anthony Weymouth.
9.25 p.m. Orchestral.
Overture "Ruins of Athens" (Beethoven)—Vienna Philharmonic Orchestra conducted by Arnold Rose.
9.30 p.m. Reuter and Rugby Press, Weather Forecast and Announcements.
9.40 p.m. Michela Levitzki at the Piano.
Eccosaise (Beethoven)—Hungarian Rhapsody No. 12 (Liszt). La Campanella (Paganini)—Liszt; Staccato Etude (Rubinstein).
10 p.m. Bach—Suite No. 4 in D Major.
The Adolf Busch Chamber Players.
10.20 p.m. Studio—Sunday Evening Epilogue.
10.30 p.m. Close down.

FOREIGN MAILS

HONGKONG, SATURDAY, 31st DECEMBER 1939, 9.30 A.M.

NEW YEAR HOLIDAY

On Monday, 2nd January, 1939 the General Post Office and Kowloon Central Post Office will be open from 8.00 a.m. to 1.00 p.m. Sheungwan Branch Post Office will be open from 8.00 a.m. to 10.00 a.m. and the other Branch Post Offices will be entirely closed.
There will be one collection from the pillar-boxes as on 8 days and one delivery of Registered and Ordinary correspondence at 11.30 a.m.
The Branch Post Offices at Stanley, Tai Po and Un Long also have one delivery of ordinary correspondence at 11.00 a.m. The Money Order Office will be entirely closed.

BROADCAST RECEIVING LICENCES

Holders of licences are reminded that if it is desired to continue to retain possession of the apparatus after the date of expiration of the licence a renewal must be effected without delay.
New Licences will be available at the Government Radio Office, G.P.O. Building, First Floor, on ordinary business days, and will be issued against the receipt of a remittance of \$12.00, between the hours of 9 a.m. and 5 p.m., except on Saturdays when licences will be issued between 9 a.m. and 1 p.m.
Applications may be made—
(a) personally.
(b) by messenger.
(c) by post.
It is essential under (c) and preferable under (a) and (b) that applications should be accompanied by crossed Cheque payable to the Hongkong Government. The new licence will then be sent by post or messenger as soon as it is ready. Where actual cash is tendered a new licence should be received in exchange before leaving the Licensing Office.
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Hoihow	Mulan	31st Dec.
Hai Phong and Port Bayard	Jean Dupuis	1st Jan.
Java	Tjilatjap	1st Jan.
Air Mail by "Pan-American Airways Direct Service"—San Francisco date, 24th December	Pan-American Airways Plane	1st Jan.
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Shanghai and Swatow	Klungchow	1st Jan.
Straits	Anshun	1st Jan.
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Air Mail by "Pan American Airways Direct Service"—San Francisco date, 24th December 1939	Pan American Airways plane	4th Jan.
Manila	Emp. Japan	4th Jan.
U.S.A., Honolulu and Japan (San Francisco date, 10th Dec.)	Pres. Van Buren	5th Jan.
Straits and Europe via Suez (papers etc.)—London date, 8th December and London date, 8th December	Rajputana	6th Jan.
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U. S. A., Honolulu and Japan—San Francisco date 16th December 1939	President Cleveland	6th Jan.
Japan and Shanghai	Chitral	6th Jan.
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Manila, Rabaul, Australia, and New Zealand via Brisbane—due Brisbane, 17th January	Nankin	Sunday, 1st Jan. 1940
Japan, Honolulu U. S. A., Central and South America via San Francisco—due San Francisco 19th January 1939	Pres. Taft	Sunday, 1st Jan. 1940
Air Mail for "Air-France Service"—due Marseilles, 15th January	Lyceum	Sunday, 1st Jan. 1940
Saigon	Lyceum	Sunday, 1st Jan. 1940
Shanghai	Sochow	Sunday, 1st Jan. 1940
SUNDAY		
Air Mail for Manila, Guam, Honolulu and U.S.A., by the "Pan American Airways Direct Service"—due San Francisco 8th Jan.	Pan-American Airways Plane	Monday, 2nd Jan. 1940

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